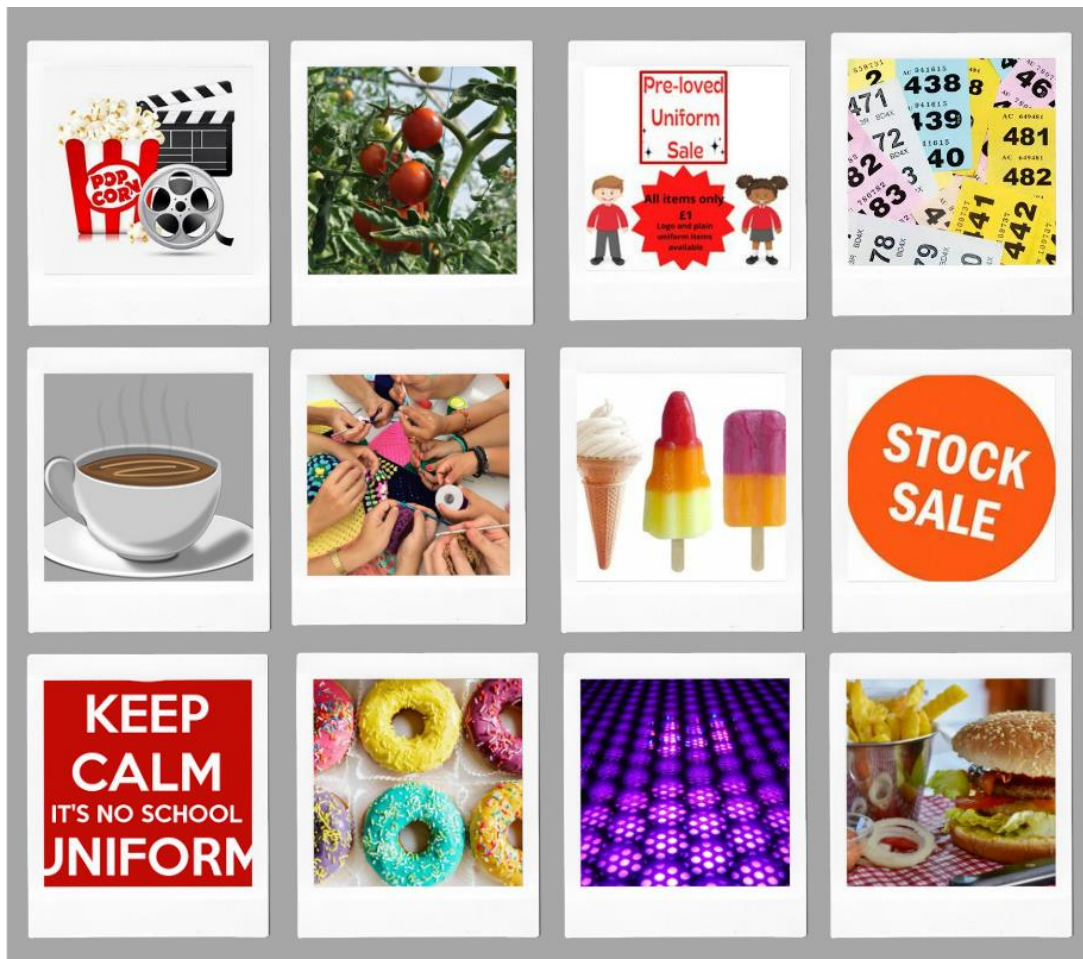




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Edward Betham Friends' Association ("EBFA")

Committee Update



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Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you!

Thank you for the support you have given the EBFA over the years, significantly during transition period from February 2023 which saw appointment of a new Chair, which has enabled the work invested by the Committee over the past years, to continue.

We, the Committee, thank you and are very grateful for your ideas, support, time and commitment to our vision which strives to ensure the children of Edward Betham CofE Primary School (“Edward Betham”) have the opportunity to experience facilities, equipment and resources to aid with education whilst leaving a positive impact during the children's formative years.

The EBFA are striving to make an even bigger impact by analysing the needs of the school and using that as our target measurement going forward.

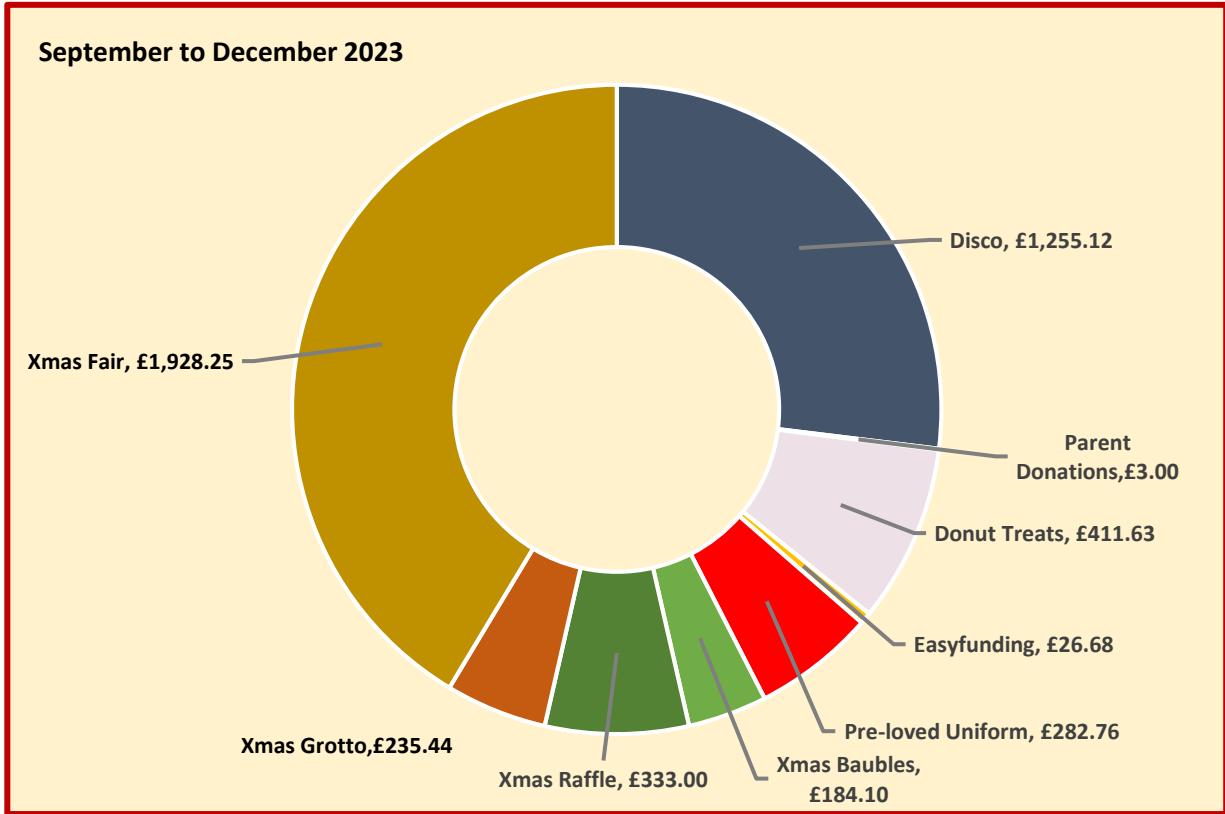
We want to thank the Class Representatives, who via What's app are able to disseminate important circulars, address urgent questions and keep all within their group well-informed of events information relevant to their class and year.

We also want to thank the staff of Edward Betham for their flexibility, support, help and understanding in run up to and after each event. A lot of work takes place behind the scenes to enable the EBFA to run each event to the best of our ability and so we really do appreciate those that volunteer their time and work late to help ensure each event is a success.

Cheryl Bristol
EBFA Chair

What we have raised

It has been an excellent year of fundraising and support enabling us raise a whopping **£4,659.98** between September to December 2023.



We raised a fantastic **£10,544.87** during the period February to August 2023 which proved to be an excellent academic year.

The combined total for period February to December 2023 is **£15,201.85**. We thank you so much for your support.

The Wish List

Here is how the money raised so far has helped Edward Betham. Our school is no different to many schools in the Borough, where needs are a priority. We, EBFA are pleased to confirm that we have been able to help grant those wishes and have supplied the school with **£11,654.81** to acquire the following;-

- ✓ Installation of AstroTurf space in the infants playground
- ✓ Fiction and non-fiction books for Junior Department
- ✓ English EYFS, Maths, Music, History and Special educational need [SEND] books
- ✓ Seasonal gifts for each classroom
- ✓ Computing Kidizoom

We still have many more needs to fulfil and will deep dive into bringing forth new ideas and experiences for the children to enjoy. Nevertheless, we are planning for this new calendar year 2024 to bring an increase to meet more of the school's needs. **If you have any ideas that you would like to share with us**, we would love to hear from you at chairs@ebfa.org.uk or admin@ebfa.org.uk.






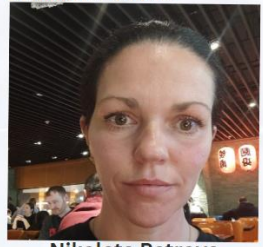



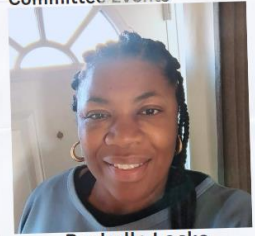

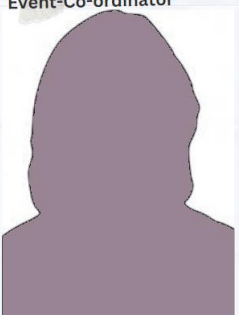
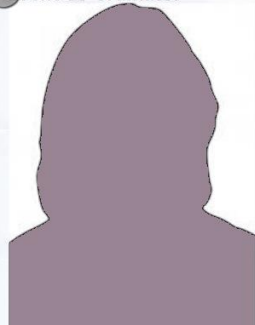
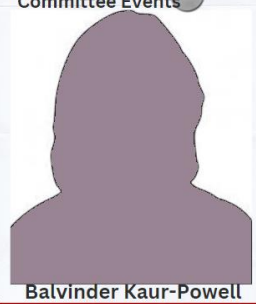
Our Schedule

We have many events in the pipeline with planning underway. We look forward to sharing these with you in due course but can assure you that the children, parents and carers will be pleased with our efforts and creativity.

We are also looking into making it easier for ticket holders to access events following confirmation of booking. We know for example, that accessing the disco would benefit with a quicker entry/admission process and we are looking into this ahead of the next event.

Meet our team

Our Committee is currently made up of 14 members who dedicate their time on a voluntary basis.

<p>Chair</p>  <p>Cheryl Bristol</p>	<p>Treasurer</p>  <p>Radosveta Karpuzova</p>	<p>Headteacher - Edward Betham Primary School</p>  <p>Ms Chamberlain</p>	<p>Pre-Loved Uniform</p>  <p>Jane Gee</p>
<p>Committee Events</p>  <p>Linda Laryea</p>	<p>Committee Events</p>  <p>Nikoleta Petrova</p>	<p>Event Co-ordinator</p>  <p>Afshan Banjoko</p>	<p>Committee Events</p>  <p>Alla Kashif</p>
<p>Committee Events</p>  <p>Charlie Sims</p>	<p>Committee Events</p>  <p>Rachelle Locke</p>	<p>Co-Treasurer</p>  <p>Beatrice Handa</p>	
<p>Event-Co-ordinator</p>  <p>Alishia Williams-Gayle</p>	<p>Event Co-ordinator</p>  <p>Tracey Dodd</p>	<p>Committee Events</p>  <p>Balvinder Kaur-Powell</p>	

Notices

We are currently looking for a secretary and an accountant to join the EBFA Committee. We are also keen to hear from anyone interested in joining our Committee. Do make contact if any of these positions are of any interest.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR AN ACCOUNTANT

We are in need of an **Accountant** to help file our accounts. We would really appreciate you getting in touch with us at the earliest opportunity. We are relying on your expertise and support. If you are able to help or recommend an Accountant, please do get in touch, via the email address shown below.

Please email: chairs@ebfa.org.uk

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A SECRETARY

We are in need of a **Secretary** to support the EBFA Chair and Committee Members. This is a key voluntary role within the Committee, as the job holder will be the main contact for communication between and on behalf of the EBFA Committee. If you would like to support in this capacity, please let us know. Thank you in advance.

To apply or learn more about this position, please email: chairs@ebfa.org.uk

SAVE THE DATE

Summer Fair
Saturday 29th June

Christmas Fair
Saturday 30 November

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR COMMITTEE?

The EBFA are always in need of **Committee Members**. This is a voluntary role within the Committee, which will give you the opportunity to express your views and share your ideas with the Committee. If you can spare a few hours and would like to help support in this capacity, please do let us know, as we would really value your support.

To apply or learn more about this position, please email: chairs@ebfa.org.uk

Volunteers – 50 Strong

It may not always be possible to make a monetary donation but what we value more than that is your time and availability. The EBFA cannot do all we plan and hope to accomplish by ourselves, we need volunteers, we need you! It would be ideal to have a group of people ready to be called upon to assist no matter how big or small the event or how long or short the amount of time you can dedicate, we appreciate whatever you can offer as we need you.

We would like to build our team of EBFA 50 Strong volunteers. In essence we are in



need of a troop of people we can call on ahead of events. We would need help at Movie days, Disco, Summer Fair, Christmas Fair, Ice-Cream, Treats and Uniform sales to name a few. If you would like to be a part of our EBFA 50, then please do get in touch and register your interest via www.pta-events.co.uk/ebfaevents/

➔ [50 Strong](#)

We can then notify you ahead of upcoming events.

The EBFA are doing so much behind the scenes but are restricted simply due to limited access to volunteers. If we had more parents and carers available our fundraising would be unhindered and would avoid last minute unmanned stalls or removal of stalls to compensate. Help us to help Edward Betham and sign up now.

Funding

We are pleased to confirm that we have taken steps to utilise external funding initiatives by applying where possible for funding via various, publicly available streams, be it donations and/or government grants. We feel quite positive taking this route to raise funds as it enables the EBFA to be more strategic when allocating funds to the school.

Here are just some of the ways that you can support us.

QR code

You may have noticed the introduction of QR codes at events where parents and carers are present, as the QR code once scanned directly asks for insertion of your payment



details for an effortless transaction. It has proved very popular with customers who may want to make a purchase but might not have cash on their person at the time. The option to pay via QR code plays an integral part, helping reduce the time required for accounting following each event. For your ease of reference, we have inserted an EBFA donation QR code below should you wish to familiarise yourself and make any voluntary donations.

 **Scan this QR code to make a Voluntary Donation**

Raffle


Our raffles are very popular as we work hard to engage with businesses near and far with the aim of supplying amazing prizes which spark interest. Winners can email raffle@ebfa.org.uk to make arrangements to pick up a prize/s or donate a prize. We are always grateful to receive well sought after donations that could be used as part of our raffle, which in turn helps to raise money for Edward Betham. Raffles are held in Spring, (for Easter), Summer (for the Fair) and Winter for (Christmas).

Easyfundraising.org.uk

We would like to encourage all to set up Easyfundraising so that EBFA can receive a donation against each purchase you make, resulting in the EBFA benefitting by receiving small increments which when consolidated could help give us a small but steady stream of donations. We currently have 72 supporters and it would be a massive achievement if the number could grow to reflect a larger percentage of families attached to Edward Betham. Turn your daily shopping into everyday magic for us with easyfundraising. It's easy, when you shop, brands donate to us and it will not cost you any extra!

↓ Scan QR code here to sign up






Donations:		Supporters:	
£1.19	£162.72	1	72
Raised this month	Raised in total	New Supporters this month	Total Supporters

Your 2024 fundraising toolkit

Hit your target for the year!





Make this a great year for Edward Betham Friends Association on easyfundraising with your **NEW 2024 fundraising toolkit!**

Use the ready-written messages, social image, poster and flyer to sign up new supporters and remind them to raise donations when they shop online!

[See 2024 Toolkit](#)

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You can WIN back the value of your TUI holiday with easyfundraising


Sign up today

£163 raised so far

72 supporters have joined

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Please use #easyfundraising when you book your holidays and raise big donations for Edward Betham Friends Association for free! Plus book with TUI in January for a chance to win back the value of your holiday! Sign up to support us on easyfundraising today:

<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/ebfa/4VPWDC/c2s/zYSXMPZII/CE790/facebook/>

 £50 million Raised

 2.5 million Users

 190,000 Causes

Our Sponsors

We would like to recognise and thank key contributors to our event, namely our Sponsors. It is with their generosity and support to the EBFA that we see us supply many of the equipment, displays, supplies and prizes that help complete our fundraising initiatives. The EBFA do not do this alone and it is with the support as shown in the next two pages which help us to achieve our goals. We have also had support from large organisations who prefer to support us without advertisement but we know who they are and thank them for collaborating with us and for their continued support.



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