

FRIENDS OF



St Margaret's Lee

Church of England School Diocese of Southwark

2024 Fundraising Report

Hello SML Families,

As we approach the festive season, we're thrilled to share updates from the Friends of SML, including a look back at how your incredible support made a difference in 2023/24 and our exciting plans for the year ahead.

A Look at Last Year's Achievements



Thanks to your generosity and participation, we raised an incredible **£16,449.88** through various fundraising efforts. Here's how those funds were used to benefit our school community:

- Enrichment activities to enhance learning such as swimming lessons and the Rocket Man!
- STEM workshops from Queen Mary University London; children learnt about genetic inheritance, the digestive system, bacteria, viruses, cells and the circulatory system.
- Drama classes from The Conservatoire; based on the Wind in the Willows children had a chance to take part in activities designed to spark creativity and build confidence. These include acting exercises, storytelling, improvisation, and role-play.
- School Garden / Playground refurb is underway with Trees for Schools and a huge planting project
- Support for inclusive learning
- Memorable events like the Quiz Night, Olympic May Fair and supporting the annual trip to the seaside!



Looking Ahead: 2024/25 Plans



We're committed to ensuring every child at SML has access to inspiring opportunities and to supporting the school in making SML a fantastic place to learn.

This year, our funding priorities include:

- More STEM, arts, and enrichment activities
- Rugby and cricket coaching
- Continued development of the Garden Project
- Fresh fruit for KS2 pupils
- Ongoing support for inclusive learning and families who may benefit from extra assistance

We're passionate about building on the fantastic opportunities already available at SML. With the challenges of funding cuts in UK primary schools, Friends of SML plays a key role in offering those extra activities and resources that enrich our children's learning. So, with in mind...



Get Involved!



Our events and projects wouldn't be possible without your wonderful support! Here's how you can get involved:

- Volunteer: Lend a hand at events or share your skills (baking, crafting, organising).
- Donate: Consider naming Friends of SML as your chosen charity for sponsored sports events, explore if your workplace can match fundraising or come along and support our events.
- Share ideas: Have a creative fundraising idea or event suggestion? We'd love to hear it!

