

MONEY WEEK

8 July 2009.

Dear Parents and Carers

A very big THANK YOU for supporting our Money Week earlier this month. It has proved again to be a big success. The children have learned a great deal about financial capability, we have established good links with the local business community and we have raised funds both for school, the children's centre and for charity.



❖ Design-a-Money Game-Competition

It was fantastic to see so many parents and carers coming into school to help make the money games. Peter from the Credit Union had a very difficult job in judging all the entries, but the winners were:

1st Prize Class 6- **Nathan Wilson**
Highly Commended- **Chloe Cooper**

1st Prize Class 3- **William Hodgson**
Highly Commended- **Sam Lund**

1st Prize Class 5- **Alexandra Bridges**
Highly Commended- **Eve Lunn**

1st Prize Class 2- **Ellie Stott**
Highly Commended- **Neve Nuttall**

1st Prize Class 4- **Elliott Green**
Highly Commended- **Eivina Steponaviciute**

1st Prize Class 1- **Isaac Butterworth**
Highly Commended- **Robert Birkinshaw**

Well done to everyone who entered the competition and thank you to Peter for judging the entries.

❖ Circle of Money



Thank you for donating your loose change to our circle of money. We managed to raise **£60.10** which is a fantastic total. We will be using the money to buy gifts from the World Vision charity. World Vision Alternative Gifts

are life-changing

(<http://www.musthavegifts.org/>).

Communities in developing countries request the essentials they need to

change their lives. You can be sure your gifts will be really appreciated both here and by families around the world. The children have decided that they would like to buy:

Training for a community nurse £25

Train a specialist community nurse so that children in isolated villages showing slow growth and illness can be diagnosed, treated and cared for so they grow up fit and strong

Seeds, tools and training for a family farm £24

Supply the seeds, tools and training that will start a sustainable farm for a family, enabling them to grow their own produce to eat and sell.

10 fruit trees £9

Planting fruit trees helps a family so they can grow their own produce and the fruit can be used to give their children a healthier diet. Additionally, excess fruit from the trees can be sold to increase a family's income.

❖ **First Savers Club**

The collection point in the Children's Centre reception continues to run every Wednesday morning between 8.45am and 9.15am. Savers (both adults and children) are still welcome to join at any time!

We would also be very grateful for anyone who will volunteer to help keep the club running, as some of the current volunteers will soon be leaving us for the Junior school. Without volunteers, the club will unfortunately be unable to continue.

❖ **Fund Raising Event – Money Fair**

The children really enjoyed making things to sell for the fair and it was wonderful to see so many of you there. We managed to raise a grand total of **£184.46**, even better than last year!

Each class will decide how the profit they made will be spent.

❖ **Visits and Visitors**

Thank you to Peter Politano and Kay Humphreys from South Yorkshire Credit Union, who came to talk to the children about Savings and Money Management and still support us in running the First Savers Club. Peter also judged the competition and donated the Money Boxes for prizes. Thank you to Yogi's convenience store, who were visited by children in Classes 1 and 2. Children from the Junior school also came to play their Money Games with the younger children, and this worked very well.



In the future we aim to maintain and build upon these business partnerships in the local community, as they show children how the financial capability skills and knowledge they are learning in school are applied in the wider world.

The aims of holding a Money Week were to include children, parents, staff and the local community in promoting the financial capability that is an essential life skill for everyone and also to be creative, innovative and to have fun!

We hope that its success will lead to Money Week becoming a regular feature in the school's calendar and that you will continue to give your full and valued support.

Best Wishes

Mrs Hanley

