



South Hills School  
**HSA**

## 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2010 Newsletter

### Thank you!

We all know how wonderful the children (and teachers!) were at the Christmas Performances, but did you know how amazing the parents and grandparents were? You bought so many cakes and raffle tickets that along with the money from our Nearly New Sale we've raised an amazing £759.27 this school year!

### Future Purchases

The HSA now has just over £4000 in the bank account and the teachers have been thinking hard about what will benefit the children.

An Interactive Whiteboard will be our first purchase. This will enable the children to access a computer using a very large wall mounted screen (the whiteboard). They will be able to touch the whiteboard to move objects around and can even use special pens which can 'write' on the whiteboard. There are lots of good games available for Early Years children which the teachers can use.

If you want to find out more about them, Wikipedia has a good article - [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Interactive\\_whiteboard](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Interactive_whiteboard).

After that, our next big purchase will be a climbing frame suitable for the Baby Unit. They enjoy going up onto the field, but the current climbing frame is too big for them. We plan to buy a more suitable one for them to use when they go up there.

### Events

We have lots of other exciting events planned for this year, both for fundraising and for fun. ☺

This spring we have ...

- 6<sup>th</sup> March – Nearly New Sale
- 12<sup>th</sup> March - Mother's Day Assembly
- 23<sup>rd</sup> March – Spring Celebration
- 27<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Egg Hunt

We are having a meeting on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January at 9.15 am to discuss the Nearly New Sale and Mother's Day Assembly. If you want to be involved, please come and join us in the kitchen area. There's plenty of coffee and maybe even a biscuit!

More information about each event will be sent out nearer the time.

### Why not join us?

It's always better when we have a few parents to discuss future events. We really do need your ideas!

We have some exciting events for the summer – including Sports Day and a barbecue. Even if you can't commit to helping at the events, we'd still love to hear your ideas about them, so by coming along you aren't committing yourself to anything other than a drink and a chat. ☺