



Summer Newsletter 2013.

Dear All,

Firstly a big thank you for all the support you give us, the schools, individuals and businesses and, most especially, our 100 club members.

The present position as far as the shipping of books is rather difficult. We heard from SevenSeas, the company who had shipped out 9 deliveries (179 x 40 kg boxes, roughly 17,900 books), for us, that they were unable to ship for us anymore due to difficulties in South Africa. It appears that SA Customs require the use of an Import Agent, one (or several) Import Licences, that we register as a not-for profit organisation in SA and that we only ship to registered not for profit organisations there. Oh and there were mutterings about the recipient having to pay tax on the value of the goods.

As you can imagine this was all rather depressing (and expensive) however Zinette Bergman believes that she has found a company that can help us out with our difficulties so we are sending 10 boxes through this company as soon as we can get the paperwork in order.

Zinette has also suggested that if importing through SA is no longer feasible then we can go through Tanzania and Botswana where the need is the same and hopefully the red tape less cumbersome and expensive. Watch this space.

With these problems in mind we felt we had better do some serious fund-raising!!

Draw

Jackie Riley has kindly organised a draw. The tickets will be £1.00 and 10 in a book will be about in September and the draw will take place just before Christmas. The prizes will include a cash first prize, and several other donated goodies including 2 hampers and a case of wine.

Christmas Cards

We have bought 2,500 Christmas cards. There are 5 different designs and they are printed up with our details. They will be going on sale, in packs of 10 in September (at very reasonable prices!) We will ask Stuart to put examples up on the website. Please contact me if you would like further information.

Basel Fund raiser

On 25/10/13 Professor and Mrs Bergman (Max and Zinette) are hosting a fund raiser in Basel. There will be entertainment provided by the Africa Department of the University of Basel. If anyone has friends out there who they would like to be included on the guest list, please let us know.

Finally, as always, I must thank the Trustees for their help and support and for all the people who have donated books and money to help us.

**Special thanks for recent donations to
Millfields School, Wivenhoe,
Speenhamland School Newbury,
Littlegarth School Colchester**

Best wishes

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Chair

The Eachsa Trust