

**The Friends of St Francis**

**Hot off the Press!**



**Giant African Snails**

### **Snails**

Over the summer holiday The Friends were offered the chance to rehome some Giant African Snail babies, which were offered to the class teachers as class pets. Reception and Year Three have rehomed 4 snails between the classes, and they are settling in well. The Friends have provided each class with a tank, special soil, feeding bowls, water bottles, thermometers and head pads to keep their snails safe and warm. We look forward to finding out what the children name their snails, and watching them grow up to a fantastic 20cm long! Watch this space for snail updates!

### **Sibley Pares Boards**

Thank you to all the families who have agreed to display boards advertising the Christmas Fayre and Market on 1st December (10am-2pm). Sibley Pares have donated £10 per board and we have very nearly reached our £500 target. These boards have paid for one Lego Mindstorm set and two data loggers. We will be asking for boards to be displayed for our Summer Fayre later in the year, please see the Friends Info Point to sign up nice and early for these boards.

### **Sponsored Events**

Thank you to all the families who have returned their sponsorship money from Friday's Sponsored Bounce and Floss- we really enjoyed seeing all the children participate so well in these events, and so far have had back £500 of sponsorship. We would love to have all sponsorship money back by Friday 12th October in order to present the children with some new ICT equipment before the October break. So far we have purchased 4 data loggers with this money, and are looking to cross some microscopes and another Lego Mindstorm off our wish list from this event!

We would also love to find a match funding partner for this event to potentially double our funds and purchase some more fantastic ICT equipment for the children.