



A to Z of fundraising ideas

A

- Abseil - a group of people could abseil down a local building
- Aerobics: sponsored marathon/competition
- Antiques fair
- Arts or crafts stall/exhibition/fair
- Auctions

B

- Bad hair/tie day
- Baked beans bath
- Barbecue
- Barn Dance
- Bits and Pieces (music quiz)
- Book/comic sale
- Bring and buy sale

C

- Cabarets/talent shows
- Car boot sale
- Car washing
- Card delivery service,
- Christmas cards – making and selling them, or selling bought cards
- Class collections
- Coffee mornings
- Collections of money at speech day
- Collections of other things (e.g. ink cartridges/mobile phones)
- Competitions
- Concerts/recitals/plays/shows
- Cook books – writing cookbook that can then be sold

D

- Dance marathon
- Dinner dance/ball
- Disco
- Dragon boat race
- Dry Cornflakes/Cream Cracker-eating contest

E

- Easter egg hunt

- Easter party
- Egg rolling competition

F

- Face painting
- Fairs, fetes, bazaars, etc
- Fancy dress party/day
- Fashion show
- Film show/premiere
- Flower/fruit/vegetable show/sale/display/stall
- Foam party – fill paddling or swimming pool with foam and then party!
- Football tournament

G

- Game shows (e.g. Stars In Their Eyes, Wheel of Fortune, Blockbusters, Blind Date etc)
- Gigs (local bands play and donate door to Stars Appeal)
- Golf match
- Gymkhana

H

- Hair beading/plaiting
- Halloween party
- Hot-dog/burger stand

I

- It's a Knockout competition

J

- Judo competition or display
- Jumble sale

K

- Karaoke competition/display
- Kite flying

L

- Line dancing
- Longest chain of paper-clips, line of coins, etc

M

- Marathon events - table tennis, aerobics, line dancing, badminton, etc (in shift teams)
- Midsummer masked ball
- Midnight film shows/parties/etc
- Mufti/non-uniform/denim/tracksuit/etc day
- Murder Mystery evening

N

- New Year's Eve dance/party
- Night-time hide and seek, using torches

O

- Old-time music hall
- One hundred club – raising £100 every week, half term or term, or a fundraising club with 100 members in it

P

- Pancake day race/competition
- Panel games
- Parties – school birthday/anniversary, etc
- Penalty shoot-out competition
- Penny mile, where coins are lined up and measured – can be done in teams
- Pet show
- Photographic competitions
- Pram push

Q

- Quizzes

R

- Races
- Raffles (seek advice from local council first)
- Rapping contest, show or sponsored event

S

- Saints' days parties/theme day
- Santa's grotto
- School fair
- Shakespeare marathon
- Silly games afternoons: egg & spoon, silly races, wet sponge throwing, etc
- Slide evening
- Soap episodes show or theme day
- Sponsored events (eg bike ride, dog walk, knit, kite-flying, headshave, haircut, hula-hooping, slimming, rapping, run, shoe-clean, silence, sing, sports match, swim, talk, three-legged walks, walk, watch TV/don't watch TV, window clean, etc)
- Sports contests, teachers vs students (no PE teachers allowed!)
- Stalls at fairs etc (eg cakes, plants, books)
- Strawberry and cream tea party
- Student-teacher swap day
- Swap-shop

T

- Tea party
- Teddy bears' picnic
- Theme days/evenings (e.g. countries - French, Spanish; soap operas, past-eras etc)
- Throwing wet sponges at a person/teacher in stocks, great at a summer fair!

- Tombola
- Top of the Pops show, teachers or students miming and dancing to chart music
- Treasure hunt

U

- Uniform days (for schools without a uniform and/or for teachers)
- University challenge

V

- Variety show

W

- Wacky Races
- Whist drive
- White Elephant stall
- Who's that baby? (students or staff bring in photos of themselves as babies)

X

- X-Files day (Use your imagination – the ideas are out there!)
- Xmas fair/panto/party

Y

- Yacht race, etc
- Young Enterprise Scheme run by students, donate part of profits (eg making and selling cards)

Z

- Zany parties

Important - Safety

Please remember when you are fundraising to bear in mind a number of important safety points:

- Always wear safety equipment if required
- Inform police of what you are planning if necessary.
- Make sure you have enough people to control any crowd that may build up
- Ensure you seek appropriate advice regarding licences for raffles or collections. The local council will be able to help.
- Be careful if you are carrying money around - always pay it into a bank immediately
- Ensure children are supervised at all times

The Stars Appeal cannot accept liability for events, and if relevant, you should arrange your own insurance.

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