



PRESENTS

**DINNER &**

**AUCTION**

**OF PROMISES**

**Wednesday 21 March from 7.30pm**

**PARENT PROMISES**

**TEACHER PROMISES**

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# FRIENDS OF ST MARY ABBOTS SCHOOL AUCTION OF PROMISES 2018

## WELCOME TO OUR LIVE AUCTION OF PROMISES EVENING!

We hope that you will all have fun tonight and that, in the process, we will raise as much money as we can to fund core FOSMAS funded activities – school trips, educational visitors, workshops etc AND any special projects that might be coming up.

In our auction we have Lots for all interests and budgets. We are very grateful to all parents, friends, teachers and local businesses whose generosity and support have been fantastic!

## PROGRAMME OF THE EVENING

**7.30 – 8.30** Welcome Cocktails and Buffet

**8.30 – 9.15** Live Auction Lots 1 – 29

**9.15 – 9.45** Dessert, raffle, and Online Auction update

**9.45** Auction resumes – Lots 30 – 45

## HOW IT WORKS

Peruse your catalogue to identify the lots you would like to bid on and then listen out for the Auctioneer's announcement. Raise your paddle to bid (the number is registered to you so ensure you use yours!). The winning bidder will be recorded, and will be contacted after the auction with the contact details of the Promise Donor.

## PAYMENT

All payment and distribution of items will take place on the evening and the week following the Auction at School unless a separate arrangement is made. We will be sending out invoices to pay online. Cash or cheques made payable to FOSMAS will be accepted too.

**Thank you so much for your support  
Have Fun and Good Luck!**



**LOT 1**  
**KIDS CYCLE HELMET BY DASHEL!**

Dashel makes carbon-fibre bicycle helmets for adults. However, they will supply a helmet with custom made pads to ensure it fits any child of 5 or over.

The prize also includes a tour of the inspiring Brompton Bicycle factory in London for two. A must for budding engineers and designers. *If preferred the bidder can choose an adult size helmet in any colour*

Value £220+ [www.dashel.cc](http://www.dashel.cc)

**Promised by: Catherine Bedford, R & Yr 3**

**LOT 2**  
**£200 TO SPEND AT**  
**SUB COUTURE**

Sub Couture, on Kensington Park Road, is one of Notting Hill's oldest and most loved independent womenswear fashion boutiques. They pride themselves on giving a personal customer service. The clothes are beautiful and practical you will want to wear them day in, day out. [www.subcouture.co.uk](http://www.subcouture.co.uk)

**Promised by: Louise and Derek Aiken, Reception**



**SUB COUTURE®**

**LOT3**  
**LK BENNETT TOTE BAG**

Be on trend this spring and summer with this lovely cream canvas and leather tote bag – with matching purse – from L K Bennett. The straps are leather with chain detail and the bag is lined in eye-catching bright orange. Its a Lovely bag!

**Promised by: Linda Bennett, Yr 5**



**LOT 4**  
**POLICE STATION VISIT AND LUNCH AT NANDO'S**

Miss Adamson will take two children on a weekend trip to Kingston Police Station - including looking in the offices, cars and equipment ! And then for lunch at Nando's. Open to all SMA students. Children will be collected and returned to Kensington.

**Promised by: Miss Adamson, Teacher Yr1**

## LOT 5

### A WEEK HOLIDAY IN A RUSTIC SUFFOLK COTTAGE

A fabulous rustic thatched cottage, which sleeps up to six people, along the Suffolk Essex border in the heart of 'Constable Country.' The 17th century grade two listed building is available for up to a week between now and the end of August 2018 (excluding May half term).

It is set in a rural location and you will need a car to discover the surrounding area. Two bedrooms upstairs, sofa bed in

the TV room downstairs. Very large beautiful garden with views over open countryside. Nearest towns are Sudbury or Colchester. Just under two hours drive from west London. Please bring your own sheets, pillowcases and towels.

***Promised by: Caroline and Richard Hamilton, Yrs 2 & 4***



## LOT 6

### CINEMA DATE WITH SHIRLEY

Who is up for some Saturday morning film fun? And who better to escort you little ones than Shirley. Shirley will take the lucky winner and three friend to The Gate in Notting Hill or Vue in Shepherd's Bush or Westfield.

Open to all SMA students. Date to be decided with Shirley.

***Promised by: Shirley Hewitt, Teaching Assistant***



## LOT 7

### SHOP TILL YOU DROP... WITH YOUR VERY OWN DESIGNER

In recent years the great British high street has got better at offering shoppers high-end looks at purse-friendly prices. But, sometimes its impossible to sort the duds from the gems. But not if you take fashion designer and year two mummy Lisa Redmond along to the shops with you! You are bidding on a two hour high street shopping trip with Lisa, who will help you choose designer-inspired pieces that look just like the real deal. Don't forget your wallet!

***Promised by Lisa Redman Yr2***

**LOT 8****COOK, WAITER AND BOTTLE WASHER... AT YOUR HOUSE!**

Take the hard work out of hosting your next dinner party by getting Anna and Laura to do it for you! Once you have shopped for the food and wine you can relax while they cook, serve and clear away a dinner party in your home. From laying the table to preparing canapés – as many courses as you like! They'll even do the washing up!

*Promised by: Anna McNally and Laura Sylvester, Yrs 2 & 4*

**LOT 9****PRIVATE TOUR OF HYDE PARK BARRACKS**

A behind the scenes tour of Hyde Park Barracks, home to the Household Cavalry Mounted Regiment, for a maximum of four people to include guard mount, inspection and departure, tour of the forge, stables, uniform store and saddlery.

Tour to be taken by end April. This is an amazing lot as the public are not usually allowed here.

*Promised by: James and Sophie Gaselee*

**LOT 10****AN INDIAN FEAST COOKED IN YOUR HOME BY A PROFESSIONAL CHEF**

Tantalise your taste buds with an amazing Goan feast, cooked in your own home. After a chat to establish the menu, the chef will give you a short shopping list, and then come to your home with her herbs, spices and other Indian essentials to create a fabulous dinner for you to enjoy. Dinner cooked for up to six people.

*Promised by: Krisztina Pasti & Darryl D'Souza, Yr 5*

**LOT 11****DINNER DATE WITH MISS HENLEY - AT YOUR HOUSE!**

Miss Henley will babysit your child (or children) !!! Including cooking them dinner . There will even be time for a movie. Date and time to be arranged with Miss Henley. Open to all SMA students.

*Promised by: Miss Henley, Teacher Yr 2*

## LOT 12

### ANYONE FOR... RUGBY? WITH MR MANN!



For the would-be future Dylan Hartley out there ... the winner and friend will have the opportunity to see the Harlequins (or Saracens) live in action, with expert and insightful in – game analysis provided by Mr Mann!

Open to all SMA students.

Please note. You are bidding on Mr Mann's time. Winning bidders will need to arrange (and pay for) tickets or other costs involved for the children and Mr Mann.

***Promised by: Mr Mann, Teacher Yr 3***

## LOT 13

### PIZZA DATE WITH NADIA

Nadia, fabulous teaching assistant in year 4, will take the lucky winner and two friend for pizza. Day and time to be arranged with Nadia. Open to all SMA students.

***Promised by: Nadia , Teaching assistant, Yr 4***

## LOT 14

### PHOTOGRAPH YOUR EVENT

Mark and has a wonderful eye for capturing very natural moments, and is offering a two hour photo shoot – at a birthday party or family party. The location can be anywhere... at your home, in a park or birthday party location – providing it is no more than twenty minutes travel from Kensington.

Photo editing included after the one hour shoot AND you get all the photos digitally so can print to your hearts content! Value £250

***Promised by Mark and Nina Kessler, Yr 1***



## LOT 15

### SMA DELUXE DELIVEROO!

Dinner sorted thanks to three Yr 3 mums. Svenja will make Thai chicken curry, Irene will make tiramisu for pudding and Leah will drive the meal round to the winning bidders door. Dinner for 4 people done! Delivery in the school catchment area.

***Promised by Svenja Hussain, Irene Zolotas and Leah Haynes, Yr3***

## LOT 16 DATE NIGHT!

Who can resist this! Fancy an evening at one of West London's best pubs, The Scarsdale Tavern, with a pre –paid bar tab of up to £75? Oh yes! But, what about booking a sitter...

Well, not only will Amy and James stump up for the £75 tab to spend on dinner and drinks, they will entertain your child (or children) with a movie night in their home next door to the pub.

***Promised by: Amy and James Buckley, Yr 3***



## LOT 17 STRIKE! BOWLING WITH MRS FYVIE

Mrs Fyvie will accompany the winner of this lot and four friends ten pin bowling to All Star Lanes in Bayswater. Day and time to be arranged with Mrs Fyvie. Open to all SMA students.

***Promised by Mrs Fyvie, Music Teacher***

## LOT 18 LITTLE HOUSE OF SCIENCE WORKSHOPS



Does your child want to explore and find answers to questions about their world around them? Such as how do plants breathe? How are bridges built? Then, Little House of Science could be for them. They foster the natural curiosity in kids and re –enforce STEM subjects in a fun, project –based way. You are bidding on one term of weekly Science workshops in the summer or autumn term 2018. 10 classes worth £290.

[www.littlehouseofscience.com](http://www.littlehouseofscience.com)

***Promised by: Little House of Science***

## LOT 19 THEATRE TRIP WITH MISS CHAKIRIS

Miss Chakiris will accompany up to three children on a trip to the theatre. You can go local – Lyric Hammersmith have some fabulous children's theatre or into the West End. Please remember, you are bidding on Miss Chakiris's time and parents will have to purchase all the tickets.

***Promised by: Miss Chakiris, Teacher Yr 5***

## LOT 20

### AFTER SCHOOL ADVENTURE WITH MISS KARIM

Miss Karim will take the lucky winning bidder plus two friends on an after school adventure – maybe to the Science Museum, the V&A – or the park. Open to all SMA students. Day and time to be arranged with Miss Karim. Open to all SMA students.

**Promised by:** Miss Karim, SENCO

## LOT 21



### PHOTO SHOOT OR PHOTOGRAPHY LESSON – YOU CHOOSE!

A two hour photo –shoot donated by James Bedford. Have a family portrait, or your product/business photographed. Or if preferred just have a photography lesson. James is a photographer for publications including: Conde Nast Traveller, Vanity Fair, The Telegraph.

**Promised by:** James Bedford, R & Yr 3

## LOT 22

### VINTAGE AFTERNOON TEA

You are invited to take a vintage afternoon tea party – for up to six people – at Bickersteth House, on Sheffield Terrace. If its a lovely afternoon, you might get to go in the gorgeous shared garden. Jill and Neil will be serving scrumptious treats – and the “tea master” may very well be one of our other local clergy. Adults and families welcome (not kids alone). Tea will be served on at mutually agreed time and date.

**Promised by** Jill and Neil Traynor, Yr 6



## LOT 23

### FOOTBALL IN THE PARK WITH MR FORWARD.

TEN lucky children will be taken to the park for Football Training. Time and date to be confirmed by Mr Forward. This lot is open to a maximum of 10 children who will each pay £20. Open to all SMA students.

**Promised by:** Mr Forward, Teacher Yr 6



**LOT 24****LADIES! PICK YOUR CHOICE OF ANY ITEM FROM CEFINN – WORTH UP TO £450**

Cefinn is a contemporary designer womenswear brand launched by SMA School mum Samantha Cameron. The brand focuses on design –led, go –to day wear; it is a collection of discerning staples for busy women – an easy, hard working urban uniform. The prize from Cefinn is a choice of any single product from the current collection. From funnel –neck tops to their new in wool –cashmere blend coat and jackets, EVERY one of these pieces are absolutely beautiful. Visit [www.cefinn.com](http://www.cefinn.com)

*Promised by: Samantha Cameron, Yr 3*

**LOT 25****CHILDREN’S FILM CLUB AT THE SOHO HOTEL**

This is your chance to relax and enjoy a children’s film in the luxurious state-of-the-art screening room at the Soho Hotel. Tickets include a buffet brunch, popcorn and drinks.

The Children’s Film Club shows on the last Sunday of each month. Buffet served from 10am and the film starts at 10.30am. Voucher valid for two adults and two children, value £80. [www.firmdalehotels.com](http://www.firmdalehotels.com).

*Promised by The Soho Hotel*

**LOT 26****NOT ON THE HIGH STREET!**

We all fancy a cheeky Italian, this is your chance to purchase six bottles of Italian Red Wine that is NOT sold on the UK High Street. Tasting notes: Ruby red in colour with an intense bouquet of cherry and spices. The flavours are generous with notes of almonds, figs and pears. This is a rare, elegant and pleasant wine. Yum. RRP £90 (£15 per bottle).

*Promised by Caterina de’ Medici Yr1*



## LOT 27 DAY AT THE ZOO

Let Sebastian (year 1) and his dad show you and up to 2 friends (children or adults) around the London Zoo.

Do you know where the lions like to take their nap? Have you seen the tiger cub twins play with the big ball on the pond? Did you know they have a nocturnal cave section where you can see scores of bats flying, even at midday?

The Promise includes: Pickup and drop off from school catchment area; 50% discount on zoo tickets (note you will need to pay the balance); warm lunch in the restaurant; time on the bouncy castle; ice cream; commemorative photobook.

Offered on a Saturday in May-July.

***Promised by Sebastian & Christian Herrmann Yr 1***



## LOT 28 'REPORTAGE' PHOTO SHOOT FOR THE FAMILY AND TWO FRAMED IMAGES

Win a shoot with one of the country's top photographers. Having previously shot for Mini Boden, Italian Vogue and Saatchi & Saatchi, this is a rare opportunity to work with one of the best. This lot includes travel to a London address within 20 miles out of the studio (W10 5BE), and 2-3 hours with the photographer, shooting in their natural and relaxed 'Reportage' style. Plus two Italian silver framed images. Value: £1,400. [www.mkwcreative.com](http://www.mkwcreative.com)

***Promised by McKay Williamson***

## LOT 29 INTERIOR DESIGN CONSULTATION

Verity Woolf is offering one lucky winner two hours interior decoration advice.

With 20 years of design experience, Verity can advise you on interior architecture, interior design and decoration helping you make the most of your home's practical and/or aesthetic potential. [www.woolfinterior.com](http://www.woolfinterior.com)

***Promised by Verity Woolf, R & Yr3***

## SESSION TWO: LOT 30 TO LOT 45

### LOT 30

## FIVE NIGHTS B&B IN PENINSULAR ANCORA, ROMANIA



A holiday to Rural Romania might not be at the top of your places to go list – but actually it should be up there. There is breathtaking scenery and beautiful clean air; rugged stone churches and dazzling monasteries. And of course, the mighty River Danube.

You are bidding on five nights B&B in a junior suite at Pensiunea Ancora. The hotel is on the banks of the River Danube, has a lovely laid back vibe and is perfect for a family holiday. Rooms sleep two adults and two children have a river view. Breakfast is served on the terrace offering river views and there's an outdoor pool. A river cruise is also included in the lot.

Travel to the hotel is NOT included. Getting there: Flights from Luton to Craiova or Timisoara with Wizz Air 2h/2.5h from the airport to the hotel. Car rental is essential, and available from all airports. The room can be booked from April 2018 to 30 September 2018, subject to availability. Visit [www.pensiunea-ancora.ro](http://www.pensiunea-ancora.ro) for full information.

*Promised by Ioana Bozan, Reception and Pensiunea Ancora*

### LOT 31

## ANYTHING GOES...THREE HOURS WITH MISS KECK!

How about spending up to three hours with Miss Keck after school (or possibly at the.....weekend!!!). You can decide to take her out for tea – or home for tea. Or maybe ask her to babysit... or get her to read a bedtime story... or take her out to a pottery cafe... or she will take your kids to the cinema – the choice is yours!. Parents you are bidding on Miss Keck's time, you will need to arrange (and pay for) any tickets or other costs involved. Open to all SMA students.

*Promised by Miss Keck, Deputy Headteacher*

### LOT 32

## THE BEST BROWNIES IN LONDON?

Think rich, dark, moist, squidgy cake squares, studded with huge walnuts and chunks of chocolate for extra decadence. The best brownies in Kensington? How about London! Stop salivating and start bidding! Enough (can you ever have enough?!) for eight.

*Promised by: Elizabeth Dawson, Yrs 1 & 3*



**LOT 33**

**OH, THE GOOD LIFE...**

**THREE NIGHTS STAY FOR EIGHT TO TEN PEOPLE IN ROME**

FOSMAS are delighted to offer a three night stay in a central Rome apartment – big enough to sleep eight to ten people.

There are 4 bedrooms, a small (but fully equipped kitchen), a comfortable living room with sofas and a big dining table and a balcony facing the garden.

Located in a central area, few minutes walk from Termini Station, or a 20-25 min walk to the Trevi Fountain/Spanish steps.

DE MEDICI HOUSE is the ideal spot for those going to Rome for a short break. Truly unique accommodation in Italian style that let guests feel at home. Three nights accommodation, subject to availability from now to 22 December 2018. Worth from £600 to £900 for 3 nights depending on the season.

*Promised by Caterina de' Medici Yr1*



**LOT 34**

**BIRTHDAY CAKE BY GINA'S CAKES**

Gina's AMAZING novelty cakes come in all shapes and sizes and there is something to suit everyone. All her designs are bespoke so you will get exactly what you want, from 3 –D sculptures to cakes with your beloved pet modelled on top we can make it all! Just tell her your idea and she will make it for you or choose one of the many designs we have already created, the choice is yours. Have a look at these amazing cakes at [www.ginascakes.com](http://www.ginascakes.com). Voucher worth up to £100.

*Promised by Gina's Cakes*

**LOT 35**

**TRAMPOLINING WITH MISS SUTTON AND ELLIE –MAY**

SIX lucky children will be accompanied to Oxygen for trampolining fun. Time and date to be confirmed by Miss Sutton. This lot is open to a maximum of six children who will each pay £20. Open to all SMA students.

*Promised by: Miss Sutton Reception Teacher and Ellie –May, Reception TA*

**LOT 36****PHOTO SHOOT – FAMILY OR BUSINESS**

Veruschka Baudo is an Italian contemporary portrait photographer based in West London. She specialises in family photography in her studio and on location. She has an editorial, 'fashion magazine' style, she loves vibrant colours, genuine emotions and captures the true essence of the person she is photographing. This is your chance to bid on a two-hour studio photo shoot for families OR personal branding worth £220. One matte print (7"x10") is included, the voucher is valid until 31 August 2018.

[veruschkabau.com](http://veruschkabau.com)

*Promised by Veruschka Baudo Portraits*

**LOT 37****LUXURY HAIR TREATMENT BY LOUISA SNOWSILL**

Sit back and relax whilst Louisa takes care of your hair. Her boutique salon is exclusive and private, with a peaceful atmosphere. Your hair will be washed, scalp massaged and a luxury treatment put on. Then hair is blowdried to your needs.

This prize also includes luxury products to take away from the salon worth £120. [www.louisasnowsill.com](http://www.louisasnowsill.com)

*Promised by Louisa Snowsill R & Yr2*

**LOT 38****WORLD ACCORDING TO KIDS**

This is an AMAZING lot. Capture your children's view on the world in a professionally filmed interview, like a time capsule of their childhood. McKay Williamson captures the comedy and wisdom of your child's insights and their hopes and dreams. This prize is valid for filming up to two children. by appointment at the McKay Williamson

studios (in Notting Hill). You'll receive a short taster film of the interview to chuckle at for years to come. Value: £2,400. Note: On location or further editing of the video itself are available at standard rates. Previous winners are not eligible. [mkwcreative.com](http://mkwcreative.com)

*Promised by: McKay Williamson*



**LOT 39**

**PERSONALISED WREATH ART**

Personalised Watercolour Painting by Yr 4 mummy Laura Rutherford. They make a fabulous gift for Easter or a birthday. You will discuss the theme with Laura, and she will need at least three weeks `lead time` for the painting. RRP £40. [www.laurarutherford.com](http://www.laurarutherford.com)

***Promised by: Laura Rutherford, Yr 4***



**LOT 40**

**GORGEOUS KALMA NECKLACE**

This absolutely lovely necklace designed by local jewellery designer, Katie Bulatovic could be yours. Katie is committed to providing the best ranges of contemporary gemstone jewellery and is a trained gemmologist. All of Katie's jewellery has a distinctive hand –worked finish and glorious array of gemstones incorporated

into the designs.

You are bidding on a Gold plated sterling silver chain necklace beaded with gemstones: peridot, citrine and prehnite. RRP £185. [www.pomegranate-london.co.uk](http://www.pomegranate-london.co.uk).

***Promised by: Katie Bulatovic Pomegranate, 8 Kensington Square***

**LOT 41**

**FOOTBALL TRAINING**

Dudley Hawes, dad to James in reception, is a keen footballer and is offering an hour's football coaching/kick about in the park. Join Dudley (and James) one weekend – date to be mutually agreed – and also enjoy some after game refreshments.

***Promised by: Dudley Hawes, Reception***

**LOT 42**

**AFTER SCHOOL TREAT WITH MRS DOYLE!**

Mrs Doyle will take the winner and two friends to tea after school from 4 to 5pm... to Nando's! Day and time to be arranged with Mrs Doyle. Open to all SMA students.

***Promised by Mrs Doyle, Headteacher***

**LOT 43****LUNCH OR DINNER AT SIX PORTLAND ROAD**

Six Portland Road is a small neighbourhood restaurant, tucked away off Holland Park Avenue – and luckily for FOSMAS, owners Alexandra and Ollie are school parents. ‘This place is just people who can really cook, **and other people who are brilliant at service**’ Evening Standard.

You are bidding on lunch or dinner for two with wine, to the value of £150.

[www.sixportlandroad.com](http://www.sixportlandroad.com)

**Promised by: Alexandra and Ollie Barker, Yrs 2 & 4**

**LOT 44****LONG WEEKEND IN THE HEART OF BUDAPEST**

This lovely apartment is perfect for a couple's weekend getaway. Its situated in the city centre, the 5th district, in the lively Pest side, a stone's throw from the Parliament Building, Margaret Island and the River Danube.

Falk Miksa Street is well known as the 'antique row of Pest'. It is a charming, tree-lined street of art galleries and antique shops. Ideally located for the main central transport links and most of the tourist sights are within walking distance. The apartment is on the second floor of a beautiful, grand building with lift.

Airfare not included.

**Promised by: Krisztina Pasti and Darryl D'Souza, Yr 5**

**LOT 45****RAMBLE WITH BRAMBLE BORROW WILLA AND ARTHUR'S DOGGY!**

Ever feel the need to go for a really lovely doggy walk? Fill the dog void in your life by taking Bramble for a walk around Scrubs Park (or any park of your choice). He can do a few tricks and you can pick up his poo! He is very well behaved, and brilliant with children.

**Promised by Willa and Arthur Bedford, R & Yr 3**



## RULES OF THE AUCTION AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

FOSMAS, the school or auctioneer accept NO responsibility or liability from the use of any of the goods or services offered in the auction nor will any compensation be payable to anyone attending or participating in the auction.

The winning bidder must make contact with the donor within three months of the auction (21st June 2018) and all prizes must be taken by the end of 2018 unless separate negotiations are made.

The highest bidder acknowledged by the Auctioneer shall be the purchaser. The Auctioneer's decision is final.

All promises included in the programme are done so in good faith. FOSMAS, the school or auctioneer cannot be held responsible for the quality or delivery of the goods or services.

Payment for live auction lots must be made in full by Thursday 29 March 2018.

All sales are final. There will be no exchanges or refunds.

**Teacher promises: Please note, you are bidding on the teachers time. All costs including tickets and food must be paid by the winning bidder at the time the lot is redeemed. For example, if you win Lot 42 Tea at Nando's with Mrs Doyle, the winning bidder needs to pay the bill!**

## BIG THANKS

A huge thank you to all who have offered "promises" to FOSMAS. We are truly grateful. Without you this event could not have taken place. Thanks also, to all those who have attended and bid for the promises. Without you this event would not have raised any money!



**ENORMOUS THANKS TO MAROUSH FOR PROVIDING  
OUR EXQUISITE BUFFET DINNER**



And finally, thanks very, very much to all those who have worked so hard behind the scenes to solicit and collate the promises, make the School Hall look beautiful, and served the drinks and supper.

**Without you the event would not have been such fun!!**