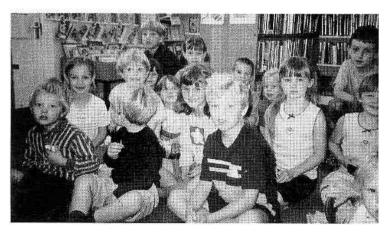
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WYCHWOOD LIBRARY

We've made it! With the help of so many people we have raised the total of £35,000 that was asked of the Friends of the Wychwood Library.

The very successful Book Sale with the grand total of £1,064.96p helped us to reach our target and over! The sale took place in the surrounds of the Library and was very well supported. The books, which were donated by our community, were being bought by the bags full. At the present time more detailed plans are being drawn up for the library extension and work will start in Spring 2001.





The two Story Times were as popular as ever with 30 children attending each session. The age group was $2^{1/2}$ to 8+ vears. The Colouring Competition winners are:

Yasmin Blackwell Ashleigh Wozencroft Gemma Potter age 3; age 5;

age 7.

The Summer Reading Relay is drawing to a close and 40 children have taken part. A wider age group is taking part, 4 to 14 years. Each child has to read 6 books over the school holidays to receive a certificate and medal.

The Internet has been in demand over the summer months. At times a queuing system was in operation. This service is used by the public to check and to send their e-mails. Known places of contact have been America, Australia, Belgium, Germany, Guernsey, Japan and New Zealand. The Worldwide Web has also been used for projects and for general information.

Interesting window displays have promoted local activities including Bonhams Valuation Day, Wychwood Garden and Allotments Summer Show and the Wychwood Library Appeal and Book Sale, and also a topical display of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother's 100th Birthday.

The Library opening times:

Monday	1pm to 5pm	6pm to 7.30pm
Wednesday	10am to l2noon	2pm to 5pm
Friday	2pm to 5pm	6pm to 7.30pm

Beryl Brown, Library Manager

FRIENDS OF WYCHWOOD LIBRARY

You will recall that in our last report in the August/September issue of the Wychwood Magazine we indicated that we had a shortfall of £6,268 in our target of £35,000 towards the extension coeff of our Library. W.O.D.C. have promised £5,000. Since then our target has now been reached and we are extremely grateful to everyone who contributed to the marvellous success of our Appeal.

In a letter which we received on 1st September from Mr. Richard Munro, the Director of Cultural Services at Oxford County Council, he writes "I would like to offer my congratulations and thanks in achieving this milestone, enabling the project to proceed in full".

The refurbishment is due to begin early next Spring and will last between 12 and 16 weeks.

Douglas E. Cunningham, Chairman, Friends of Wychwood Library.

