To all Parents/Carers

## **Parents Friends Group Newsletter**

## **Help Required**

Due to changes in the Parents Friends Group we find ourselves in need of new members across all areas, including formal positions (chair, co-chair etc) as well as parent helpers for various activities that we want to run to support fundraising for our school.

We appreciate that it isn't always easy to make school hours, so if you can please indicate your preferences on the sheet below and return it back to the office, we can then arrange sessions accordingly.

Our immediate needs for support are:

- Key Stage 2 (Year 3-6) School Disco Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 6.30pm to 8pm
- Christmas activities/events/fundraising

In previous years our Parents Friends Group have been highly successful in raising funds for our school. This was due to having many supportive, hardworking volunteers. In previous years, the group purchased trim trails, outdoor PE equipment, the wooden outdoor pod, laptops, ipads and developed the outdoor learning areas (class 1) and created a sensory room. We would like to replicate this success but can only do this with your help.

We would also like your thoughts/suggestions on fundraising ideas for this such as fayres or sponsored events/activities in and outside of school. Perhaps a parents pub quiz? etc.

## Update

Parents Friends Group currently have a balance of £9,500. The majority of this was due to successful funding bids to enable the group to buy a wooden pod (Rainbow Retreat). This was achieved by our school office staff, our school council, Isabella (Year 6) and local councillor, Phil Rostance.

However, due to covid and anticipated building works for the nursery more discussions are required before this is purchased and its location. We now have 2 trained Emotional Literacy Support Assistants (ELSAs) to provide sessions in this pod once it is installed.





Our next project is to develop the forest school area. Mrs Hudson will be putting together a wish list of the resources required along with her vision of improvements and costs.

Emma (Parents Friends Group Co-ordinator)

## Parents Friends Group Questionnaire

Please complete and return to school by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October. Thank you.

Level of engagement/roles		
Formal PFG position (Chair, Co-Chair etc)	Yes	No
Supporting PFG position (Not Chair etc)	Yes	No
Parent helper at events	Yes	No
Suitable meeting times		
Immediately after school (3:30pm)	Yes	No
Weekday evening (6.00pm onwards)	Yes	No
Weekend Day	Yes	No
Preferred meeting style		
Face to Face	Yes	No
Virtual	Yes	No
Permissions		
Do you consent to be contacted by members of the Parent Friends Group	Yes	No
Do you consent to be included in an associated Whatsapp Group	Yes	No
Suggestions/Comments:		

Name \_\_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile phone number \_\_\_\_\_\_