

## **Friends of Highfields School**

## Hello and welcome from FOHS!

I'm Julia - I'd like to re-introduce myself and the FOHS team as we have our new children and parents joining our Foundation class! We held our AGM this week and I'm pleased to say we've all been re-elected!

Chair – Lauren O'Hara (Patrick, year 5 and Brandon, year 3) Treasurer – Nicola Van Wyk (Gracie, year 5) Co-secretaries – Julia Trotter (Edie, year 6 and Martha, year 4) Andrew Sherratt (Darcie, year 5 and Hugo, year 3)

Many of us are on the playground everyday and we're happy to chat! You can also email us at <u>FOHS@hotmail.co.uk</u> or ask any questions or pass on feedback through your class WhatsApp rep. We'll also use the WhatsApp groups to distribute reminders, information and posters.

I just wanted to get in touch to let you know that we've set the dates of our FOHS events for the whole 2024/25 academic year. We'll send reminders nearer the time (and please be aware that sometimes dates may have to change) but if you could pop them in your diary that would be great! They're all listed on our Facebook page too (search 'Friends of Highfields School' and ask to join).

We have a busy year ahead and lots of fun planned! Here's what's coming up!

## 2024

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Non uniform day and Spooky disco (school hall - KS1 3.30pm-4.30pm / KS2 4.45pm-5.45pm)

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November – After school sale on the playground – bonfire toffee and doughnuts

**Ongoing in November** – Christmas cards - parents can purchase online their child's design on cards, magnets coasters etc.

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December** – Wreath making evening (Nantwich Cricket Club – 7pm-9pm. Adults only, all welcome! More info to follow shortly.)

**Mon 9<sup>th</sup>/Tues 10<sup>th</sup>/Weds 11<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas wrapping room (FOHS set up a 'shop' in school. Children pre pay money and then can choose gifts for family members and wrap them to take home).

Friday 20th December – Non uniform day

## 2025

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February – Non uniform and Valentines disco (school hall - KS1 3.30pm-4.30pm / KS2 4.45pm-5.45pm)

Mon 24<sup>th</sup>/Tues 25<sup>th</sup>/Weds 26<sup>th</sup> March – Wonderful Women gift room (Similar to the Christmas wrapping room).

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Non uniform day for chocolate donations (for Easter Bingo)

**Tuesday 1**<sup>st</sup> **April** – Easter Bingo (5pm – 7.30pm - School Hall. We did this for the first time last year and people really enjoyed it! Bingo for chocolate prizes! It was a great success!)

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May – Non-uniform and May disco (school hall - KS1 3.30pm-4.30pm / KS2 4.45pm-5.45pm)

Mon 9<sup>th</sup>/Tues 10<sup>th</sup>/Weds 11<sup>th</sup> June – Marvellous Men gift room (Similar to Wonderful Women).

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June** – Summer Fair – outside on school premises, all the usual stalls, games, BBQ and bar you'd expect at a summer fair! 12pm-3pm. Volunteers for this event very welcome!

Mon 14<sup>th</sup>/Tues 15<sup>th</sup>/Weds 16<sup>th</sup> July – Big Bounce (Hire bouncy castles for the school field, each class gets an hour of bouncing fun).

If you have any questions or comments please don't hesitate to get in touch. If you'd like to come along to our monthly evening meetings you'd be made to feel very welcome! There is no 'sign up' or commitment required – feel free to come along, meet us and see what FOHS is all about! There's no pressure!

Our first meeting is Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 7.30pm (for a 7.45pm start) at The Leopard. The meetings are a maximum of 2 hours long and are a great way to meet other parents, discuss how funds are raised and spent, plan the fun extras for the children and have extra insight into the school. Just turn up, we'd love to meet you!

Once again, thank you so much to all of our volunteers and parents - we could not fundraise without you!

Julia Trotter

FOHS co-secretary