

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Friends of Limington House (FOLH) would like to say a huge "Thank You" to those who came along to our recent AGM. We can now announce that we will be continuing in September, starting with the return of coffee mornings, discos and sending home activities to begin raising much-needed funds for our school. Details from this meeting will be published on the school website over the summer break.

Before we move forward though, we would like to extend our thanks to Jane Oliver and Paul Richardson for their time and hard work keeping FOLH going over the past few years. Times were difficult and they were unable to run our usual events but they were working hard behind the scenes and provided funds to help replace the school's stolen artificial grass, install new playground equipment and donated Christmas/Easter gifts. We wish them and their families well in their new adventures.

A new committee has now been formed following the AGM to help take FOLH forward. New members are always appreciated, even just for one-off event help or admin tasks at home. No full-on commitment is needed and you do not need to wait for the next AGM to come forward. The more of us there are, the more we can offer and the workload is spread. Your new committee are:

Chairperson - Amie Peters	Vice Chairperson - Joanna (Asia) Board
Secretary - Jen Wootten	Treasurer - Aimee Orr

We have some ideas of what we would like to offer our families in events and opportunities to come together, be supported or give support and create new friendships along with raising funds. However, we would love to hear from you with all your suggestions. We are looking at events for the children, for parents and for families. We are hoping we can help bridge the gap so our young people can experience everything their peers do but find difficult to access and bring some joy.

We are aware of the current economic climate and be assured we will be mindful with requests for donations and we will try and keep ticket prices affordable for all where possible.



Justin has a wish list for items the school need and would like to purchase. We would like your suggestions too to get a real sense of what we are working towards and what we need to prioritise. Look out for a letter coming home in your child's bag in September. Your responses would be helpful and really appreciated.

We will be meeting once every half term, during the day for planning meetings although if that doesn't suit, please catch us for a chat at the school gates or message us via the school admin email address:

adminoffice@limingtonhouse.hants.sch.uk

Dates for your diary - Autumn Term

- FOLH meeting Wednesday 18th September 9.30am in School Hall
 New members welcome
- Parents Evening refreshments Wednesday 25th September 4-7pm
- Coffee Morning Wednesday 2nd October 9.30-11am in School Hall
- Halloween Disco Thursday 24th October 6.30-8pm in School Hall

Whilst we've got your attention...

Does anyone's employer offer a charity of the year scheme or raise money doing bake sales, sponsored events where we can put FOLH forward or even provide raffle prizes?

Are there any parents or family friends that can offer any free financial/accountancy skills that we could call on or have fundraising skills from other charities they've been involved in? Other PTA's etc... Our doors are always open!

Finally, the Friends committee would like to wish you and your families a lovely summer break and see you all back here in September! We're looking forward to bringing back FOLH for everyone. Please come join us in the fun...

The Friends of Limington House