



Friends of Highwood

September 2022

Welcome back ...

Friends of Highwood has a new committee for this academic year and we thought it would be helpful to give you an update following the AGM in July. We've taken this as an opportunity to introduce ourselves and give a (hopeful) overview of what we want to achieve this year.

At the AGM, a new Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary were voted in. I'm Liz Castell, I will be the Chair of FOH; I have a son in Year 2 and a son who will join Highwood next September - I'm a primary school teacher. Becca Burnett is Vice Chair and she has three children: one in Year 2, one in Nursery and a baby who's a way off joining Highwood just yet. Becca is also a primary school teacher. Christina Yau is FOH's new treasurer; she has a daughter in Year 4. Christina is a (much sought after in the PTA-world) accountant. Vidya Macleod is our secretary; she has two children at Highwood, a daughter in Year 2 and a son in F2. Vids is a Software Consultant.

Those are the 'named' committee roles but FOH is made up of many parents across different year groups. We have some people who can come to meetings and some who can't. We have some people who've been able to volunteer at events and some who haven't yet. Some have made sub-committees and volunteered at Woodley carnival and some who weren't able to attend but did a Costco run for these events! We're all in very similar positions; parents who are struggling with the juggle!

2022 - 2023 Aims

We want to be able to create the sense of community lost through Covid and fundraise at the same time.

This year we would very much like to raise enough money to become a registered charity; this will allow us to perks such as match-funding from local, national and international businesses; as well as the ability to claim gift aid and receive discounted resources for FOH.

The school have a wish list of what they would like FOH to help fund which can be shared in due course.

Please do contact us on ChairFOH@highwood.wokingham.sch.uk if you'd like to know more or if you are interested in being involved. Please also contact us if you think your trade contacts/employer may be able to help. We also have social media pages where you'll often see information shared.



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The 'hopeful' year, at a glance ...



There will be pre-loved uniform sales throughout the year - dates/times TBC

Autumn

KS1 Movie Night (Early Years TBD)

KS2 Movie Night

Winter Fayre

Spring

Donut Sales

EY/KS1 Disco

KS2 Disco

Parent Social - Quiz Night

Easter Cake Sale

Summer

EY/KS1 Movie Night

KS2 Movie Night

Lolly Sales

Woodley Carnival

Parent Social - TBD

Summer Event

These activities are subject to change and we are hoping to add a few more in!