

Friends of Thurnham Infant School

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We are a group of parents and carers of the children at Thurnham School, who enjoy working together towards three goals; fundraising, helping out at school events and, most importantly, building upon the great community spirit here at Thurnham School by organising numerous social events throughout the year.

This year we are on target to raise close to £8,000 which is traditionally spent on those "little extras" for the children; for example Christmas presents for the classes, a pantomime, water and ice lollies at sports day and an ice cream at the picnic .We have a major fundraising target over the next year or so, to help the School raise money for a new, professionally designed, playground.

Our social events range from a Summer fun day to Quiz Nights to pottery painting and cake decorating classes. We try to find a nice balance between events all the family can attend and those that are most certainly just for the grown ups. This year we will be hosting our first ever Autumn ball. We are always looking for companies that may be willing to match fund our events and have a donations officer that can support you with a request (See attached).

Our committee meets once a term, over a glass of wine or coffee, and we love to see new faces and welcome your ideas, feedback and energy. The committee will be voted in along with class representatives. As a class rep you are the link to FOT and the class. This helps FOT share information about upcoming events, they sell tickets and give individual classes a say on how we use the money raised. If this is a role that you would be interested in please get in touch via our email.

Don't forget, as with all our events during the school year, if being part of the committee is not a role you feel you would enjoy or can commit to at the moment there are still numerous ways you can help. We will send home requests for cakes, raffle prize donations and to fill sweetie cups. In addition you can raise funds every time you shop on line by going through www.easyfundraising.org.uk (See attached)
If you cant make an event but still wish to donate you can go to www.mydonate.bt.com. Please also complete your gift aid declaration forms in order for FOT to claim and extra 25p for every £1 you donate.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch to find out more or to add your name to our bank of volunteers. You can also like our facebook page and then will be able to look up events and stay in touch. We look forward to welcoming you to our upcoming events and thank you in advance for your support.

Dates for your diary:

- -New Parents Coffee Morning Friday 15th Sept 9:05am.
- -AGM 20th September 2017, 6-8pm ,school hall.
- -Summer Fun Day Saturday 23rd September 2017, 12-4pm, School playground.
- -Funky Friday Party Friday 13th October, Venue Maidstone football club.