

Last year the Friends raised a record breaking £21,834!
Thanks mainly to Hannah Hallett and Susannah French's Herculean efforts. As they leave their roles, we would like to say a HUGE thank you for all the time, blood, sweat and tears to renovate the pond, raise that bank balance and provide a lot of fun for the children and adults. Now we need a new Chair to organise, delegate and oversee our events. If you are tempted please get in touch.

CAN YOU BE IN CHARGE OF

Second hand Uniform,
Recycling corner, Friday
workshops, raising the
profile of our Online
fundraising, Raffles,
Evening events for adults,
Applying for grants?
Please get in touch

No Effort ways to support your kids school

Your school lottery – Monthly Direct Debit with money
or prizes to be won each month

Easyfundraising – Log in via the easy fundraising
website/App before buying from Amazon etc to give a
percentage of your spend to our charity at no cost to
you.

GoFundMe – Give a donation to particular projects we
are raising for.

• Clothes donation bins (Near the car park) – Please
bring your old fabrics

• Recycling area (by school hall door) – we want your
ink cartridges

– Match Funding – Can your employer help?

THIS TERMS DATES

Fireworks Night 3-1-23
Pumpkin display 30-10-23
Christmas Wreath making 1-12-23
Christmas Raffle 8-12-23
Christmas Discos -Date TBC

**What do you want to see happening in
the Spring Term? Contact our socials,
email or catch us in the playground.**

Christmas shopping can earn your chosen
charity money.

please choose your school on
Easy fundraising



**Come to our
next meeting
7:30 the Bell
on 7th Dec**



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**SUPPORT
THE SCHOOL**

The PTA is vital to the success of the school. Funds raised enrich your child's learning and make every student's experience better. Be part of the group that pays for the playground your child loves or funds the library that's their favourite place to be.

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**IT'S TOTALLY
FLEXIBLE**

Whether you're a full-time parent or working the nine to five, anyone can get involved. It's less commitment than you think, and you don't always have to attend meetings. Small jobs such as designing a poster, distributing letters or running a stall keep everything running smoothly.

3

**MAKE LASTING
FRIENDSHIPS**

Meet and chat to a wider circle of families from different classes and year groups. Get to know other parents, and bond over exciting events, socials and get-togethers. Find a place to belong and spend time with others who share your values.

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**BE BETTER
CONNECTED**

Create closer links with the head, teachers and staff. If you're new to the school, the PTA is an excellent way to find out how things work and become part of the community. If not, you'll still gain greater insight by seeing how things work from both sides.

PTA+

The home of school fundraising

10 REASONS TO JOIN THE PTA

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**BECAUSE
IT'S FUN!**

Be part of the team which organises the best events and get-togethers. Debrief over a glass of wine (or two). Suggest your most hare-brained idea and watch as it catches on and everyone wants a piece of the action. Laugh. Cry. Be there for each other.

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**CHANGE
SCHOOL FOR
THE BETTER**

Have your say on important decisions. Work with the school and other parents to see where improvements can be made, and implement them. Directly influence the experience of your child and hundreds of others.

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**LEARN
NEW SKILLS**

Everyone has something they can bring to the PTA, but you can also learn new skills by trading with others. Always wanted to perfect that cookie recipe? Not sure how to design a poster? Want to hone your public speaking skills? You can do it with the support of the committee.

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**IMPROVE
YOUR CHILD'S
LEARNING**

Studies show that children whose parents are involved in their education do better in school. Engaging with the PTA shows your children's education is important to you. Play your part in improving the school and watch them

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Everyone is welcome, and it's especially important to have dads and male carers represented, as male role models are crucial in children's upbringing. Dads can bring different skills; they can bring a different perspective, and they can bring along other dads.

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**CREATE
LASTING MEMORIES**

Our children are only at school for a few years, but they will remember the difference we make for a lifetime. They will cherish the activities and games we fund, learn using resources we buy, and remember the events we hold. Help keep the PTA going so future pupils can benefit too.

A dark blue background filled with various colorful fireworks in yellow, green, red, orange, and white. The fireworks are depicted as stylized bursts of light with radiating lines and dots.

Fireworks Night

**Friday 03
Nov 2023**

Venue: Oakfield Junior School
Entry via Bell Lane, Fetcham, KT22 9ND

Sponsored by

Tickets: £7.00 in advance from:
• The Kit Shop, 232 Cobham Road, Fetcham
(cash only)
• www.trybooking.co.uk/CPDH
£9.00 on the night. Under 3s go free



Entry by official wristband only

Time: Gates open at 5.30pm – Fireworks at 7pm
Food, drinks and glow sticks available to buy on the night

Entry is only permitted with a valid wristband. NO sparklers or alcohol allowed on site. Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult at all times. No parking on site (other than disabled access). In the case of high winds, event may be postponed for safety reasons.

Online sales close 27/10/23. Tickets available from The Kit Shop until 31/10/23 (cash only).





AGM – Wednesday 20th September 2023

7:30 at Oakfield School

1.Welcome and Apologies

Attendees – Debbie Willemse, Susannah French, Hannah Hallet, Sarah Meijer, Lucy Beverly, Carla Morrell, Tony Rapley, Kirsty Thresher, Leischa Warren-Brown, Sarah Wheatley, Natasha Allwood, Seema Sajan, Rajat Jain, Juliana Deliu.

Apologies – Liz Kelshall, Caroline Joseph, Emma Warren-Brown, Charlote Foster, Emma Temple, Caye Ashenden-Beard.

2.Welcome from the Chair

SF thanked everyone for their hard work in the past year and reflected what a success it had been financially as well as providing fun for the children and events for the community. She asked if anyone would like to stand for chair, there were no volunteers.

DW added the role was to generate ideas, check with the school then implement them with support. The Blueprints for most of the activities is already in place.

SF discussed the Fireworks as successful due to the weather and online ticket sales. Agreed to sell online again this year.

The summer fair was successful despite the weather due to the children's showcase, which will be repeated this year.

SF extended her thanks for raffle donors and [Lydia Ashton](#) to organise raffles prizes for Christmas / Summer Fairs this coming year.

Increased revenue streams from external sources to release pressure on school families ideally.

Request for someone to take on the Online / ongoing schemes such as easyfundraising, MoleValley Lottery, School lottery. **NA** volunteered

SF confirmed that £1,367 is left assigned for the pond / wildlife project.

£29,000 left for future projects.

3.Minutes from Committee Meeting 26th July 2023

All minutes were agreed.

4.Treasurer Report for Year ending 31st August 2023

SM presented Treasurers report (please see full report separately)

2022/2023 £22,079 was raised. £3,950 from grants.

£9,041 was donated to the school.

The balance on 31st August 2023 was £38,453.

Main Event Earnings:

5.Election of Officer and Trustees of the Committee

The following have been elected:

Secretary - Carla Morrell

Committee Member / Trustee – Hannah Hallet

Treasurer – Sarah Meijer

Accounts Examiner – Kirsten Nailer

Resignation:

Chair- Susannah French

Secretary – Hannah Hallett

CM to forward new committee members names to Sally Cook for DBS checks.

6.Fundraising 2023/24

Fundraising Targets

DW confirmed that the Long-Term project of the well-being hut means that short term projects are taking less of a priority. This well-being hut is a necessity as there's a lack of space and the overflow is going into the centre, and the school doesn't want to lose the after school facility. **DW** confirmed the Governors are applying for grants to support this project.

Short term targets such as hand-held App development technology, renewing the lockers, and refurbishing the hall will have to be carefully considered.

7. Events for the Autumn Term

Marshall X Workshop 15-9-23

LAda Workshop 6/10/23

Fireworks 3/1/23

Pumpkin Display 30/10/23

Christmas Wreath making Workshop 1/12/23

Christmas Raffle 8/12/23

Discos – Date TBC - £5 considered to be reasonable.

Christmas Card etc – Date TBC – Carla Morrell actioning

Christmas Production – Date TBC

Cross Country Competition Date TBC

SW requested more notice to be given for events and suggested a poll to see demand for activities.

8.Future Events

Friday workshops - SF expressed her sadness that the Friday workshops could be lost, as these were a great way for the children to have fun. **RJ, SS, KT** all expressed an interest in volunteering to cover those. **SW** requested more notice for those events and suggested polls to find popular themes.

Quiz night? - **SW** requested the return of the Quiz night with fish and chips. **SF** and **HH** reported this failing to sell enough tickets the previous 2 attempts. To be considered at the next committee meeting.

Open air Cinema / Movie nights? Possible movie night in January TBC at next meeting

Talent showcase - **SS** suggested a talent show where adults and children perform. TBC at next meeting

Pre-Loved Sale - **SW** suggested a circular table-top type sale for children and adult clothing and toys. **CM** agreed and would support. TBC at next meeting

Colour run – **DW** requested more notice be given please. **SS** has source for paint powder at better rates than previously paid.

9. Any other business

SF and **HH** have requested people to volunteer for specific discrete jobs:

Uniform collection and sales – **Verity White** and **Maddy Seaman** to take this on.

Recycling area - **Amy Battersby** and **Joanna** to take responsibility for this project.

It was noted that the bins need a new location to enable recycling facilities to be utilised for their intended purpose and not rubbish. The battery and crisp recycling needs to be advertised more widely as this was not generally known about. **KT** to ask Eastwick school where they got their battery bin from and try to source one.

Volunteer readers – Names to be emailed to Mrs Cole when people come forward. **KT** agreed to be a reader.

Online / On-going promotions – **NA** to oversee this.

Grants –**SF, AR, DW, SS, RS, LWB** agreed to assist with grant applications.

DW requested that the volunteers ask the schools subject leader their action plans so we can find relevant eligible grants to meet needs, e.g. instruments.

10. Date of Next meeting

Thursday 7th December 7:30 at The Bell pub.

