

An update from the Friends of Drayton Green...



Hello Friends,

The Friends of Drayton Green (FoDG) has been quiet throughout this very strange school year (very unlike us, if I do say).

Normally at this time of year we would be looking forward to the summer fun and festivities of International Day. The kids would have danced their way through termly discos, the Easter Bunny would have more eggs to deliver and we'd all be full of yummy homemade goodies from cake sales.

We had hoped to organise a Teacher's v Parents Rounders game on the green in the last few weeks of term. Unfortunately, that is no longer possible, but perhaps a new group of FoDG members will organize in September.

Instead, we are trying to arrange a few treats for pupils as the year winds down - fingers crossed!!

Additional Non-Uniform Days (contribution payable via ParentPay)

Friday, 2nd July

Sports Pride: Wear team colours, team jerseys or athletic gear.

Friday, 16th July

Fun in the Sun: Wear shorts and tee shirts, summer dresses, sunglasses and summer hats!

Class Reading Corners

FODG has agreed to help with the purchase of items that will help create Class Reading Corners in each classroom. These cozy corners will give each room a dedicated space for independent reading and will free up some much-needed space in the current library. Items on the wish list currently include shelving, rugs and bean bag chairs.

We hope you will support school with these non-uniform fundraising efforts towards the reading corners. We look forward to seeing you at the Sports Days and Year-end Concert!

Looking Ahead to September

While there are only a few weeks left of this term, we can't help but look ahead to the 2021-22 school year. **Parent/Carer participation is essential to keep FoDG going.** The FoDG is responsible for fundraising and event planning within the school community. Being part of the committee provides an excellent opportunity to meet other families, interact with teachers and staff and contributes greatly to the vibrant, friendly community that Drayton Green Primary School has been known for.

The FoDG officers (Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer) are stepping down at the end of term. To keep this group going, it is essential that these positions be filled. If you have any interest at all into stepping into one of these roles, or simply volunteering a bit of time next term, please reach out via email or chat with us at school. FODG@outlook.com

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please Register Your Interest

Make this PTA group exactly what YOU WANT it to be!

The group's officers are stepping down at the end of the school year and several members will be leaving the school with their Year 6's.

There is a need to fill the roles of Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. We know these roles can seem quite daunting but could certainly be amended in order to share duties and share the load.

Without a small group of parents to come forward in September, PTA events and fundraising will cease.

Please register your interest and to be contacted in September by emailing FODG@outlook.com.

What is Friends of Drayton Green (FoDG)?

FoDG is the school's parent-teacher association (PTA). As a parent-lead charity group we work with staff to help plan fun for the pupils and families of Drayton Green and lead fundraising initiatives throughout the school year. The group is comprised and managed by parents and careers who work with a Drayton Green staff liaison.

What does FoDG do?

In a nutshell – fun and fundraising. In the past, FoDG has been the primary source of supplementary fundraising for the school. Generous parents and community partners have helped to finance things like outdoor equipment and seating, indoor screen and projectors, Bug Club, Art Weeks and more.

What Events does FoDG Plan?

The biggest undertaking is the annual International Day Festival each summer. This is a true team effort that brings the school community together through food, dancing, crafts and laughter to celebrate the incredible diversity at the school. The 2019 International day was an incredible success and raised £5,000 for outdoor equipment and screens and projectors in the canteen.

Past events have included a Winter Festival complete with a fireworks display, after school discos, non-uniform fundraisers, cake sales, art week, Nursery Egg Hunt, Christmas Holiday decorations and activities and plenty more.

Get Involved – Register Your Interest

Please! The group's officers are stepping down at the end of the school year and several members will be leaving the school with their Year 6's. This is a great time to register your interest for the upcoming school year. Please email FODG@outlook.com to be added to an interest list.

Get involved, grab a friend, meet other parents and make this group exactly what you want it to be! Without a small group of parents coming forward to take it on, the events and fundraising will cease.

