

An update from the Friends of Drayton Green...



Hello Friends,

The Friends of Drayton Green (FoDG) PTA are happy and hopeful to get back into the swing of things after navigating and adjusting around the Covid19 Pandemic.

We are looking forward to another busy year and hope that you will be able to join us for some of the following events to have fun, eat cake and raise much needed money to fund the extra things the school budget cannot stretch to.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

COFFEE MORNING – 9-10am FRIDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

An opportunity for parents to meet and register for the FoDG PTA, as well as enjoy some tasty coffee and treats. Also, we would like to offer a donation based second hand uniform sale during this event.

All will be held in the school cafeteria.

AGM – 2-3pm THURSDAY 17TH NOVEMBER

The agenda for the meeting will be to fill the vacant roles within FoDG. It will be held in the school cafeteria.

PAST SUCCESS STORIES:

Through the fundraising efforts of the FoDG PTA, and the generosity of parents, carers and sponsors, thousands of pounds have been raised to assist the school in multiple capacities, including:

- *Classroom Library Corners*
- *New Projector & Screen*
- *Bug Club*
- *Art Supplies & Canvases Playground Furniture*
- *Chalkboards & Chalk*
- *Times Table Rock Stars*
- *Library & Gym Solar Window film*
- *Theatre Trips*
- *Annual Year 6 Leavers contribution*
- *Christmas Gifts & Crackers*
- *Portable Stage Set, Lighting, Sound & Curtains*
- *Last but not least, the most recent fundraising event the 2022 Ealing Half Marathon, organised and accomplished by Ilaria and Akiko, for musical instruments*

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please Register Your Interest

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

The new school year starting in September meant that group officers stepped down at the end of the school year and several of our members left the school with their Year 6's.

*We are looking for enthusiastic and keen new Friends 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 new parents joining, the PTA events and fundraising will inevitably have to cease.

Please register your interest by emailing FODG@outlook.com

Looking Ahead to the New Term

While there are only a few days left of this term, we can't help but look ahead to the rest of 2022-23 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

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.

