



Registered Charity No. 292371

Welcome to Friends of Hollybush School

FOHS is the Parent Teacher Association of Hollybush School. We are a small committee of volunteers made up of parents/guardians. All Hollybush parents/guardians and their friends and families are welcome to join the committee or simply to be a volunteer we could call upon to help us with the running of events.

What is the aim of FOHS?

We aim to fund projects which advance the educational experience of the students of Hollybush School through activities and goods which are not provided by the local authority. We also aim to enrich the relationship between parents, students, and the school.

We want to be able to enrich your child's experience at Hollybush by offering end of term events such as Winter Fayres, as well as through the purchase of new equipment. In addition, FOHS helps to bring together parents, guardians, friends, and staff from all areas across the school in an informal, relaxed and social way.

How is money raised?

FOHS organise a range of fund-raising events each year, with previous examples including:

- End-of-term disco
- Winter Fayre
- Quiz Night

We also hold smaller events such as ice lolly Fridays in the summer term, and cake sales.

Through our fundraising efforts FOHS has recently been able to purchase Chromebooks, picnic benches, headphones, art materials and play equipment. We also paid for the Year 6 Leavers trip which is our gift to our leavers.

We work closely with the school to decide on a 'wish list' for our fundraising goal. Joining the FOHS committee would be a great way to have your say on what you feel we should be fundraising for next!

How will I hear about FOHS events?

- Upcoming events posters are displayed in our noticeboards at both entrances to the school
- The Bush Telegraph, our FOHS newsletter
- Facebook
- Instagram
- The school newsletter will also provide reminders about upcoming events

How can I get involved?

The committee has had fantastic help and support over the years from parents and guardians.

There are a number of ways you can support us with the running of FOHS. This could be in joining us as a committee member. We aim to meet every 6-8 weeks to discuss and plan upcoming events. This is a relaxed meeting in which we work through an agenda to organise our upcoming events.

Or you may be able to offer your time to one of our after school/evening events, such as helping to run the end of term disco by serving refreshments. Joining our list of Volunteer Helpers would enable us to smoothly run events which require more hands.

Attending the Annual General Meeting (AGM), which is open to all parents/guardians, is an opportunity to see what FOHS has achieved in the last academic year. We will outline how we have run events, raised funds and how the money has been spent. This is also a chance for you to voice your opinion. We welcome any ideas and suggestions for our ongoing fundraising and enrichment events.

Alternatively, we have set up the Support Our School (SOS) Fund, for those who would like to contribute to FOHS but aren't able to give their time. Supporters are welcome to give a one-off donation, or set up a standing order to:

Friends of Hollybush School
Sort code: 30-94-17
Account number: 01626468

Every little helps, and all donations regardless of size are appreciated. Donations will be anonymous to everyone but the Chairs and the Treasurer. If you are happy for us to claim Gift Aid, please email HollybushPTA@gmail.com

How do I contact FOHS?

Please email HollybushPTA@gmail.com

Please don't be shy, we would love to hear from you!