



Friends of Wroxton (FOW)

FOW Newsletter

Your PTFA needs you!



Welcome to the first FOW newsletter!

Who are we?

“Friends of Wroxton” is the school's PTFA (parent, teacher, fundraising association).

We are a group of like-minded parents, grandparents, carers, staff and friends of the school who want to help and support the school by fundraising.

What do we do?

We meet regularly to discuss fundraising ideas and events for the school.

At our meetings, we discuss lots of ideas, drink a little tea/coffee/hot chocolate and have a biscuit too!

We have organised pre-loved uniform sales, school discos, Christmas fairs and pre-Covid, we participated in the Banbury Cross Round Table Santa Float.

We now have lots of new ideas in the pipeline.

Why?

Since the pandemic, the school needs your help more than ever to raise vital funds for YOUR children's school.

Funding can only supply certain things to our little school.

We want our children to have fulfilling opportunities, access to as much equipment as possible and lots of fun events to take part in!

School cook and outgoing FOW Chair Jane said:

“I loved primary and it was important that my children loved it too”.

What have we fundraised for?

Each year, we pay for the Year 6 leavers to have hoodies and a meal together.

We have supported school trip/coach costs, paid for play-ground painting and laptops.

Most recently, funds were used to create the outside reflection area and to purchase new digital cameras for each class.



What are we fundraising for next?

New 'Forest School' equipment – Mrs Ledo is using the money to buy equipment as we speak!

New large play equipment for the playground – to benefit all of the pupils.

Also, we are looking into further development of the outside reflection area, to include a sensory space.

What if I can't commit?

There is no pressure to commit to everything, as we all lead busy lives!

But if lots of people offer to help, then the workload is spread and more of us can enjoy the brilliant events.

How do I find out more?

Please come to the next FOW meeting, speak to Mrs. Ruffle, Kerri Grant (Kites parent), or one of the members listed on the next page.

You can also request to join the Facebook group:



“Friends of Wroxton PTA”

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1277802972633584/>

Upcoming events calendar

Tuesday 5th October



Children's Christmas card workshop, 3pm-4pm.

Monday 11th October



“Great Wroxton Bake Off” and cake sale after school.

Wednesday 13th October

Next FOW meeting, 7pm, Kestrels classroom.

11th–15th October



Please bring donations into school for the pre-loved uniform sale.

Tuesday 19th October



Pre-loved Uniform sale, 3pm. At the front of school, or in the hall, if bad weather.

Wednesday 20th October

Non Uniform / “Break the Rules” day.

Thursday 11th November



Christmas gift shopping evening (stalls from local businesses), 7pm–8:30pm.

Friday 10th December



School Christmas Fair, 3pm–5pm.



How can you help?

- **Ideas!**

We need lots of fundraising ideas to help our school.

All ideas will be considered!

- **Volunteering**

If you can spare a little time to attend meetings or help at an event or sale, it would mean things run more smoothly.

Even if it is only once, it will mean that the same people are not doing everything!

Or maybe you have a particular skill set to offer?

- **Donations**

Pre-loved uniforms, cakes, raffle prizes....

We have lots of events throughout the year that may require different donations.

Perhaps your workplace could help too?

- **Spread the word**

For external events, please ask your family/friends/neighbours to come along and support us!

Friends Of Wroxton
PRE LOVED UNIFORM SALE
TUESDAY 19th OCTOBER : 3pm
all items £1.00

DONATIONS NEEDED
Please Donate Any Old School
Uniforms You Have to the School
Between the 11th and 15th of October

All money raised goes to the school.

Artwork by Sophie (kites)

Easyfundraising



Do you shop online?

Did you know that we're registered with easyfundraising and you could help us to raise funds for the school at no extra cost to yourself?

Since our fundraising events are slowly being introduced, this is a great opportunity to keep raising much needed funds for the school. When you shop online, with over 4,100 of your favourite retailers, including John Lewis & Partners, Amazon, eBay, notonthehighstreet, you will raise FREE donations for Wroxton Primary School - Banbury.

If you're not already signed up, it only takes a few minutes, then you can begin using the easyfundraising website or app straightaway - simply shop online as normal. This will be an enormous help to the school, at no extra cost to yourself.

Please visit our easyfundraising web page to get started:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wroxtonprim/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=s-e2



FOW class representatives:

Eagles: Beth (Aidan's mum)

Kestrels: Marcia (Tom's mum)

Kites: Rachel (Oliver's mum)

Falcons: Catherine (Emma's mum)

Please come and chat to us if you have any ideas, if you would like more information, or would like to volunteer in any way.

Or request to join our Facebook group: "Friends of Wroxton PTA".



Future events—watch this space!

The following events are in the pipeline....

- Grown ups quiz night
- School Disco (Spring and Summer terms)
- Easter Bingo
- More non-school uniform days
- Loose change
- Summer fete
- Year 6 Leavers — hoodies and meal

Maybe a future event could be something that YOU suggest?

If you feel you can help, please get in touch.

Ready.... Set.... BAKE!



Are you and your child/ren the next Prue Leith or Paul Hollywood?

We will be holding "The Great Wroxton Bake Off" on **Monday 11th October!**

Any child that wishes to enter should bake a yummy cake to bring into school on the morning of the 11th.

Each class will select their star baker entry, then each class winner will go forward to be taste-tested by Head Judge Mrs. Guinness.

Novelty prizes for the winners!

All cakes will then be sliced up for a cake sale at the end of the day.

If you are able to help sell the

cakes on the day, please let Mrs. Ruffle or a FOW member know :)



Christmas Cards



Sorry to mention "Christmas" at the end of September, but we have to plan ahead....

In the past, each of the classes at Wroxton have designed Christmas cards, which are sent away to be created and sold by an external company.

Unfortunately this is a time consuming and sometimes stressful task to do within

school time, so Mrs. Ruffle is kindly running an after school session for those children and their parents/grandparents/carers who wish to create a design to go onto a Christmas card.

These will then be sent off and you will have the opportunity to buy packs of cards, wrapping paper, mugs etc. for Christmas.

When ordering these products, you are helping to raise money for the school funds.

To be held on **Tuesday 5th October**, 3pm-4pm.

If you would like to book a space, please speak to or send a Dojo message to Mrs Ruffle.



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Christmas Gift Fair



Do you run a small gift business?

(Scentsy, Bath Bombs, Cakes, Chocolates, Pet Gifts, Cards....)

Please contact Mrs. Ruffle if you would like a stall at our upcoming Christmas Gift Fair, or if you know someone that would be interested: £10 and a raffle donation per stall.

Are you looking for Christmas gift ideas?

Come along to the Christmas Gift Fair to have a look at the range of stalls and "shop local".

Free entry, refreshments will be available to purchase.

There will be a raffle on the night, with prizes donated by the stall holders.

Thursday 11th November, 7pm —8:30pm at the school.



Next Meeting:

Wednesday 13th October, 7pm, in the Kestrels Classroom