



# Friends of Whitchurch

## Newsletter

Dear Whitchurch Families,

Welcome Back! I hope that you all had a wonderful, restful and enjoyable Easter break. The Friends of Whitchurch (FOW) team had a great time seeing all the entries for the Easter egg competition at the end of last term and of course seeing the excitement amongst the children for all the chocolate!

I would just like to take a moment to introduce myself, my name is Hetel and I am a year one parent. I joined FOW as a committee member when my son was in reception, I was recently co-opted chair when our wonderful Chair Rupa decided to step down. Rupa has done many amazing things along with the team and we would like to thank her for all her hard work and dedication to FOW.

I'm excited to share with you our first official FOW newsletter. We hope to bring our school community closer together, supporting our children's experiences, and creating opportunities for everyone to get involved.

We have some great events coming up this term, the biggest being our Summer Fair! We also have the kids disco, male hero event and another break the rules day, there is something for everyone to enjoy. These events not only enable us to raise valuable funds for the school, but are also a great way to connect with other families and build a stronger school community.

We warmly invite you to take part whether you are attending our events, volunteering your time or even just spreading the word. Your support big or small, really and truly make a huge difference. We look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming events.

Warm regards  
Hetel Shah  
Chair FOW



# Meet the Team

## The Trustees



Hetel  
Chair



Dipika  
ViceChair



Treasurer  
Disha



Co-Secretary  
Charley



Co-Secretary  
Veronika

## The Committee



Nikil



Mona



Zena



Sundip



Ayesha

# Events this year so far...



Break a rule - this was a fantastic event, the children all looked so excited going into the school gates with their rules broken and huge smiles on their faces. It was such a fun event, so much so that we are bringing it back this term!

**Total raised: £1320**



Winter Fair - Whitchurch families had an amazing time at this event, from the activities and games to the tombola and Santa's grotto and of course not forgetting our returning stars, the reindeers. A special mention to all the volunteers who helped make this event happen.

**Total raised: £3173**



Bake a memory - a lovely event that gets all the bakers excited, we had lots of amazing bakes. We really appreciate all the effort that goes into making the bakes.

**Total raised: £175**



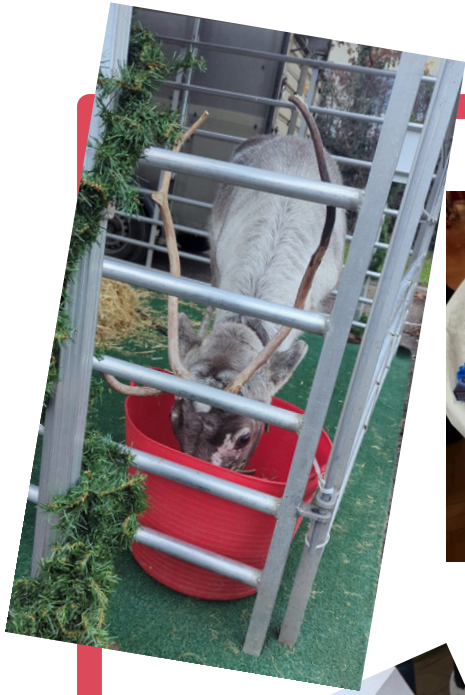
My female hero - this is always a special event, it's so lovely to see the children excited to buy something, taking their time to choose what they would like for their special hero's.

**Total raised: £118**



Easter competition - we had lots of wonderful entries for the competition, it was great to see all the children so excited, although it may have been for the chocolate and not the competition! We also gave out chocolate lollies to all the children, so no one missed out on a bit of chocolate.

**Total raised: Lots of happy children**



A vibrant banner for 'FOW SUMMER TERM EVENTS!' featuring a smiling sun wearing sunglasses, a palm tree, and a hot air balloon against a blue sky with stars and clouds. The text 'FOW' is in yellow, 'SUMMER TERM' is in pink, and 'EVENTS!' is in yellow, all in a bold, bubbly font.

# FOW SUMMER TERM EVENTS!

A banner for 'SCHOOL DISCO!' with a purple and blue background, stars, and a large colorful disco ball. Silhouettes of people dancing are visible. A speaker is on the left. The date '14.05.26' is on a black banner.

## SCHOOL DISCO!

14.05.26

Two banners side-by-side. The left one is 'MALE HERO!' with a red starburst background and the date '17.06.26'. The right one is 'SUMMER FAIR!' with a green background, a wooden signpost, and a fairground scene with a striped tent and balloons. The date '28.06.26' is on the signpost.

## MALE HERO!

17.06.26

## SUMMER FAIR!

28.06.26

A banner for 'BREAK THE RULES!' with a dark background, stars, and illustrations of a red t-shirt, a red and white striped sock, a straw hat with a blue bow, and a red and white striped bag. A red 'X' is over a crossed-out rule icon. The date '10.07.26' is on a wooden sign.

## BREAK THE RULES!

10.07.26

# *FOW's contributions this year*

**OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)**

**programme: £6286.49**

**Whitchurch Leadership programme: £568**

**Recommended reading challenge: £5000**

**Pantomime: £8113**

**Year 2 Beach trip: £500**

**Forest School equipment: £244.66**

**Sats boot camp: £450**

Join us on instagram to see  
what we have coming up



# Mirco Volunteers

Ever thought about volunteering to help at one of our events? We know that people don't always have the time to commit to help plan our events but maybe you could spare an hour or two at some of our events. By joining our micro volunteers Whatsapp group, there is no obligation to volunteer, simply a way for us to post messages asking for help and if you are able to, just reply and we will let you know next steps. We cannot run many of our events without volunteers and we truly appreciate any time that anyone can give. Scan the QR code to join. Thank you!

