

# FRIENDS OF MUDEFORD INFANTS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## WELCOME

To all our new and existing parents and carers, we hope your children have all settled well into school.

Friends of Mudeford Infants is the school's PTA. We operate on a committee basis and everyone is automatically a member, so you all have the opportunity to take part as much or as little as you like. We run a variety of events throughout the year raising funds to enhance your children's education and create some special memories for their time at Mudeford Infants. We also support the school at various times throughout the year. We had a fantastic year of fundraising last year and we hope we can achieve the same again this year.

## FRIENDS COMMITTEE

We have a newly elected committee this year. Myself Theresa Rippon as Chairperson and Lucy Brown as Treasurer. I'm Mudeford born and bred and went to Mudeford Infants myself as a child. I have a 5 year old son in Year 1 and a 20 month old daughter who will hopefully also attend the school in the future. I have spent many years volunteering in our local community and look forward to my new role within Friends.

Lucy moved to Mudeford at the beginning of lockdown in March 2020 after growing up with a holiday house in the area. She always knew she wanted to one day live here. She has 6 children aged 23 to 5, three dogs (spaniels) and 2 guinea pigs. Lucy is a Project Accountant by trade (CIMA) but moved into Project Management when moving to the area. She's a keen runner, was the treasurer of her local running club and was also on the Friends Committee for her local Infant and Junior school prior to moving.

## PRELOVED UNIFORM DONATIONS

We will be holding a uniform sale on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October a 3.15pm in the school hall. Thank you for all the donation we have received. We're happy to accept donations at the sale.

## QUIZ NIGHT

Back by popular demand, our quiz is always a fun filled evening, with our resident quizmaster Mr Pope. Please save the date - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November. Tickets go on sale Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October. The quiz is made up of teams, comprising of 8 to 10 people. You can enter as a team or if you're less than 8 we will help put teams together. We are looking for volunteers to help with this event.

## EVENTS & PROJECTS

Friends organise and support various events throughout the year which you might not be aware of. Mr Pope has a very exciting project involving the tyre park area, transforming it into a fun educational learning and play space with Science and Nature in mind. Friends will be helping to fund this project. We have recently purchased a new PA system and the Library will be getting a boost of new books. We are looking to increase the variety of lunchtime resources for the children. In December M&M Productions will be performing an exciting Pantomime for the children which is fully funded by Friends. Next year we are looking to add 2 new events: a Fun Run and a Gin Festival. If you like running, gin or even both please volunteer and join our subcommittee to help with organising these events.

## CLASS PARENTS REPRESENTATIVE

Mr Pope is keen to resurrect Class Parent Representatives. Ideally he would like 2 parent volunteers per class. Class Reps engage with parents and teachers to build a social network within the school community. They help to support Friends with attending meetings and finding volunteers for fundraising events. They're also the voice for their class parents, whether it be ideas or feedback. If you're interested in becoming your Class Rep please email [office@mudfordinf.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:office@mudfordinf.dorset.sch.uk) for further information before 17<sup>th</sup> October so Reps can be in place after half term.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### October

Preloved School Uniform Sale  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>  
3pm – School Hall

### November

Quiz Night  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup>  
7.30pm – School Hall  
Tickets on sale from 17<sup>th</sup> Oct

### December

Book at Bedtime  
Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>  
Parents refreshments & Xmas raffle – School Hall

Hot Chocolate cones & Reindeer food sale  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>  
3pm - School Hal

### NEXT YEAR 2022/23

Mini Marathon  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April

Fun Run  
Date TBC

Gin Festival  
Date TBC

Summer Fair  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July

Make sure you join  
**Friends of Mudeford  
Infants on Facebook.**

We have lots more exciting events planned for the Mudeford Infants community.

## THANK YOU EVERYONE...£12,812 raised!

Friends want to say a very big **thank you to everyone...**to the children, parents, staff, governors, Friends Volunteers and Friends Committee. Thank you for supporting our events and activities, Buying a cake, dancing at the disco, buying preloved uniform or coming to the Summer Fair and drinking the Pimms... you all made a difference to the grand total and together we create a strong school community. We are thrilled to announce that last school year we have raised **£12,812!**