



SOME OF OUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

FOSH News Spring 2018

Be our Friend

by Teresa Shaw

Welcome to our FOSH newsletter, we hope to publish one every term detailing upcoming events, how you can contribute and how your hard earned donations are being spent.

Our Community

In our super busy lives it seems that community spirit and mutual support and respect are increasingly hard come by. That is why we feel that our school and parish is a precious family and one we are extremely proud to be part of. Friends of Sacred Heart are a group of volunteers who work tirelessly to assist our children's school by raising funds to enrich their learning journey.

Donations

It is our promise to ensure the money you donate in aid of your children's school is spent frugally and wisely. We will continue to work in partnership with Mrs. Tregear and her staff to identify where we can most appropriately spend the money raised.

We want to make significant donation towards the schools ICT equipment this year, as that is an area that came up time and again in the suggestion boxes and one we think could do with a boost from the FOSH community.



As you know we became a charity last year and will continue to operate as such. More details can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/charity-commission>

Getting Involved

If you would like a say in how the funds FOSH raise are spent, please come along to one of our meetings and share your ideas. If you have a small business that could help by donating expertise or equipment, please email FOSH@sacredherat682.herts.sch.uk

We are lucky enough to be able to count accountants, PR professionals and business owners amongst our parent community, committee and supporters. Without you we couldn't operate, so we thank you.

We understand that you all have busy lives but ask around, the buzz of helping out at an event, coming together for a common cause really is a wonderful feeling and well worth the effort. So sign up for a slot on the Spring fair Pimms tent or an hour on the Coconut shy and we'll see you there.



Quiz Night Take II

by Annemarie Byrne

As you know we were extremely disappointed to have to cancel our quiz night back in February, due to heavy snow fall. With a lot of to-ing and fro-ing we have managed to secure a new date with our quiz master Paul Higginson (thank you Paul), details below

- Friday May 4th from 19:00 in the Parish Centre
- All proceeds will go, as always, to the school
- Tickets from February are still valid, so no need to repurchase
- Tickets are £10 and include a pizza!
- If you would like to buy a ticket please see Annemarie, Andrea or Thalia in the playground or ask in the office
- If you would like a refund please email FOSH@sacredheart682.sch.co.uk
- Doors will open at 19:00 and the quiz will begin at 19:30
- There will be a cash bar on the night

£££ Money Raised £££

Our big push this year is to provide new ICT equipment to ensure our children keep pace with their contemporaries.

Upcoming FOSH Events

- Bag to School 17th April – Please leave outside the office
- Toy Amnesty - First Week after Easter
- Quiz Night Take II – 4th May in the Parish Centre
- Mufti Day – 18th May infants to bring new toys, juniors bring a bottle, to donate to the Spring Fair Tombola
- Spring Fair – 20th May 12pm til 6pm at school
- FOSH Dinner Dance – 20th October

Easter Chicks



A massive thank you to our wonderful volunteer knitters, for making the gorgeous Easter chicks, which were sold in the playground last week. This was the first event which contributes directly to our targeted fundraising for new ICT equipment. Thank you to all those who purchased the chicks, you have kicked us off to a fantastic start, raising over £600!

Our thanks also to the following local stores who donated the eggs

Morrisons – Harrow, Borehamwood and Hatch End
 Sainsbury's – Stanmore and London Colney
 Asda – Watford

20th May - FOSH Spring Fair

by Andrea Hanbury



Mums Favourite - the Pimms Tent

Super Sunday

A few years ago we moved our annual Summer Fair to a Sunday, in the hope that more people would be able to attend and to include the Sacred Heart parishioners who had been attending 10:30 mass. We also decided to bring it forward by a few months, making it a Spring fair. This gives the teachers a bit less to do during the very busy Summer term and it means that we are not competing with every other school Summer fair in the area!

These changes have worked really well, so this year we will hold our Spring Fair on Sunday 20th May from 12pm.

We are feeling brave so we are going to add some new stalls and some extra entertainment, all in all it will be an event you won't want to miss.

We will be looking for help running the stalls, your class rep will be in touch shortly, with each class running a particular stall. We will also be asking for donations for the bottle tombola and new toys for the teacher's tombola, a school mufti day will be held to accommodate this.

Finally any cake bakers out there, if you would be so kind as to donate a batch of cup cakes or a Victoria sponge, we would be extremely grateful, there will be a prize for the best, Great British Bake Off style.

Festival Vibes

We plan to hold the usual fair from 12 til 3 but after that we'd like our hard working volunteers to sit back and relax with their families. We have decided therefore to provide some afternoon entertainment. So we hope you will have a bite to eat & a well-deserved drink and whilst you rest you can listen to some live music, festival style!

It will probably rain and we will all be wearing wellies and macs, but if it's good enough for the Kings of Leon at Glastonbury its good enough for FOSH!



Festival Face painting

Fundraising

All proceeds raised during the Spring Fair, as with all of our events, are spent on your children and their school. We will be using this money specifically for our ICT drive so the more we make the closer we will be to our total.

Toy Amnesty



We asked the staff and teachers for a 'wish list' of items that they would like to provide for the children and one of the things that came back was toys for the children to use at lunch time and during breaks.

We had a chat and agreed that it was likely that parents had any number of 'previously loved' toys knocking around at home so rather than buying new we thought we would call for an amnesty.

So if you have good quality used **Dolls, Cars, Board Games, Card Games or Lego** that you think the school could make use of please **bring them along to the school office the first week after Easter Holidays.**