

Friends of Holmleigh

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September 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and School staff,

Welcome / welcome back to the new school year at Holmleigh!

For those of you new to the school, Friends of Holmleigh (FoH) is a group made up of parents, carers, teachers and community friends. The group was set up to fundraise and campaign on behalf of the school. Previous fundraising activities have included a film night, nature walk, plant sale, quiz night as well as raising support from local businesses and applying for grants to support the school.

We would love more parents to get involved - whether joining the committee, contributing to fundraising ideas and events or simply attending any activities when you can. We have 3 to 4 meetings a year where all are welcome to discuss ways in which we can support the school, fundraising ideas and events.

The next dates for the Friends of Holmleigh are:

FOH Meeting: Monday 9 Oct 6pm - 7pm, School main hall

A general meeting to discuss ideas for fundraising activities over the year and elect/re-elect committee members.

Everyone is welcome and feel free just to come along and listen to ideas - no need to commit to anything more! There will be an area for children if you need to bring them along.

(please note this is a change of date from previously advertised)

(Early) Halloween film night – Thursday 19th October, School main hall 6.15pm

A fun evening for children to watch a movie with their friends together after school. Why not come in their PJs and bring cushions, sleeping bags, bean bags - whatever they would like to be cosy!

Entry: pay what you can (suggested donation £3)

Popcorn will be on sale on the night. Please bring water bottles.

Parents will be responsible for the children they bring on the night

FoH Committee

The FoH Committee is made up of parents and carers who help to plan the fundraising activities. All parents at the school are sent information with opportunities to get involved, but the committee gets more involved in particular areas. The list of current FoH committee members can be found on the FoH Website page. At the meeting in October we will have a list of roles in which we are looking for new volunteers but extra help in any area is welcome. If you are interested in joining or helping the FoH committee in any way, please email friendsofholmleigh@gmail.com.

In the meantime, one easy way to help fundraise for Holmleigh school is using the easyfundraising App. It's simple and free! Every time you shop online with a partner retailer, a donation will be made to Holmleigh school. There are many businesses that make donations via this site, including Morrisons, Sainsburys, Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, Deliveroo, Etsy, plus insurance, travel, network providers and loads more. The more people we get on board, the more donations we can collect! More information is on the <u>FoH website page</u>.

More details on all FoH activities are available on the <u>FoH page</u> on the school website.

Look forward to seeing you at the meetings and events.

Best wishes Kira

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