



Friends of Park

Your school PFA group



10 Reasons To Join The Friends Of Park

Our Friends of Park is a recognized group of parents and teachers that work together for the benefit of our school.

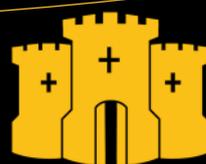
We've compiled a list of 10 reasons why joining the Friends of Park will greatly improve your child's education experience.

1. **It's good for your child.** Research shows that children whose parents are involved in their school make better grades and have fewer disciplinary problems at school.
2. **It's important to the school.** The Friends of Park are responsible for almost all of the school's fundraising revenue.
3. **You'll get connected.** There's no better way to know what's going on in our school than to be on the school's parent teacher group.
4. **You'll be part of a network.** You will be connected with a group of parents who share a common goal of improving the school for the children.
5. **It's fun!** You will help plan fun events and socials, that the whole family can attend.
6. **You'll make a difference.** Parent groups work to establish a supportive and encouraging community for the entire school.
7. **You'll be a role model.** You'll show your children that not only are they important to you, but their education is as well.
8. **You'll help raise necessary funds.** Fundraisers remain important to improving the quality of the school overall.
9. **It's flexible.** There are a variety of small ways parents can help and be involved in the Friends of Park.
10. **It's for every parent.** Your voice and ideas can help improve the quality of education for your children and their peers.

Conclusion

You don't have to make the Friends of Park a full time job to make a difference. However, volunteering occasionally and attending school events really matters.

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THE PARK
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

How can you help ?

Time can be a major issue for us all these days, but joining the 'Friends of Park' needn't be a demanding task. Many parents don't realise that it is a flexible group and that you don't need to sign up for a formal role on the committee to take part - even if you only have a little time to spare, you can still make a **much-valued** contribution.

- ◆ Share ideas for social and fund raising ideas and help us make school fun.
- ◆ Attend meetings to plan events.
- ◆ Help out at the School Summer Fayre.
- ◆ Get involved with school productions.
- ◆ Support fundraising events.

How to get involved

If you are interested in getting involved in any of the above ways, or have any questions, please email our Friends of Park secretary, Jacquie Belghafria jacquiebelghafria@hotmail.com or Graham Sloman at gsloman@theparkschool.org.uk.

You are very welcome to just turn up at one of our very friendly and informal meetings, dates are advertised on the school website and the weekly parents bulletin.

So why not give it a go ? After all it is your Friends of Park. Alone we will do so little, together we can do so much!

Current Committee Members

Chair:	Juliet Squire
Vice Chair:	Tracy Owen
Secretary:	Jacquie Belghafria
Treasurer:	Jo Farrell
Staff Representatives:	Graham Sloman

AGM Meeting

On **Monday 7th November 2016**, we have our annual AGM meeting which will be held in the School Conference room at 6.30pm.

If you are interested in finding out about the 'Friends of Park' proposals for the forthcoming year or you are interested in becoming a committee member, we would really appreciate your support by coming along to our meeting.



Picnic Tables



Table Tennis Tables



Gym Leotards



Netball Dresses

What have 'Friends of Park' funds bought?

- Table Tennis Tables
- Gym Leotards
- Picnic Tables
- Safety boots for work experience students.
- Netball dresses.
- Schools hall lights and equipment.
- Rugby kit.
- Student 100% attendance awards.
- Refreshments for Awards evenings.