# How you can help

#### Become a committee member:

We are always looking for new members to help bring new ideas and life to the committee. We normally meet the second week of each month in the Kings Arms to discuss and plan events for the coming months, although we do not expect members to attend every meeting. Members can be anyone, not just a family member of a child in school. Our AGM is being held on Monday 10th November and we would love for you to come and see what we are about and possibly join the committee for the coming year.

We appreciate that family time is precious and not everyone can commit to regular meetings so there are other ways you can help. **Become a Friends Volunteer:** We hold a list of volunteers who do not attend our regular meetings but who help out at events when needed and even take on annual projects.

**<u>Donate</u>**: From donating small things for our fairs and seasonal events to donating a one off raffle prize, it all helps to raise extra funds.

<u>Attend</u>: It goes without saying that to raise the money we can not do it without the generosity of the parents and associates of school. Just attending an event and giving a small amount soon mounts up to help buy the things wanted.

<u>Ideas</u>: Something as small as a new idea or a reminder of a past event which you enjoyed and would like another of helps us. If you have an event idea please either speak to or text a current member or email us on <u>friendsonds@gmail.com</u>.

**Business Support**: If you work for or own a business who offers a match funding scheme or can offer services we may be able to use or can donate goods for our events please contact us (details on the front page).

We cannot do what we do without you, so please accept our sincere thanks for anything and everything you can do for us and North Duffield Community Primary School

# Friends of North Duffield School

# Who we are, what we do and how you can help!

## Who we are

Friends of North Duffield School are the PTA for North Duffield Community Primary School. We currently have 15 volunteers, the majority of whom have a DBS (CRB) certificate and the remainder of whom are in the process of this welfare check. We meet once a month to discuss ideas and organise events to help raise extra funds for the school.

#### **Current Members**

Chair: Lesley Richardson

Vice Chair: Katherine Honeywood

Secretary: Rosie Taunton
Treasurer: Suzanne Broome
Members: Heather Blakey

Leesa Clarke
Carol Cole
Wendy Dixon
Sharon Flicker
Lindsey Holroyd
Tracy Johnson
Becky Pennick
Sanna Ruane
Vicky Shaw
Emma Wykes

#### **Contact us**

Email us at friendsonds@gmail.com

Speak to someone on the list above

Check out our web page on the school website

# What We Do

#### **Events**

Each year we hold a number of events to help raise funds. In recent years we have organised a circus on the school field, barn dances/ceilidhs in a local barn, a village scarecrow competition, curryoke - a curry night with karaoke, discos and we annually hold a school fair and have refreshment stalls at school events.

This past academic year we have raised funds by:

- ⇒ selling refreshments at different events
- ⇒ holding seasonal shops for students to purchase gifts for family at Christmas, Mothers Day and Fathers Day (a new idea for this year from a member of the committee which has proved very popular with both parents and children)
- ⇒ selling Christmas cards designed by the children
- ⇒ holding a summer Pimms raffle, consisting of a Pimms hamper and other Pimms goodies which was donated by a parent of the school
- ⇒ holding a leavers disco for KS2 students in July, which was free to the year 6's who were leaving school to head to High School as an extra gift from Friends of school.

## What the money raised is used for

The funds we raise are used across the school for various things.

In the 2012/13 academic year we raised a fantastic £2300 which the school used to purchase new and updated books for the whole of KS2, an amazing achievement which we could not have done without the help and generosity of the parents of the school and member of the community.

This past year we have donated:

- ⇒ £600 towards the KS2 residential trip to London
- ⇒ £300 towards a play kitchen in KS1
- ⇒ leavers books and gifts for the year 6 students
- ⇒ children's Christmas gifts across the school
- ⇒ rent of the garden recycling bin

At the end of the 2013/14 academic year we confirmed we would be donating a further £1000 to the school to use as they feel best.

## **Upcoming year**

This is what we have planned for the 2014/15 academic year so far, further details will be printed closer to each event date:

- ⇒ Recipe book starting in September
- ⇒ Scarecrow competition Autumn
- ⇒ Race Night Saturday 4th October
- ⇒ Halloween disco Friday 24th October
- ⇒ AGM Monday 10th November, 8pm in the Kings Arms
- ⇒ Christmas Events including cards and elf shelf
- ⇒ Winter fair Saturday 13th December