



Friends of Highwood Primary School
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Friends of Highwood Event News

Save the date...

We at Friends of Highwood hope you and your children have settled nicely into the new school year and are looking forward to joining us for some amazing events.

Coming up in the autumn term...

Tuesday 31st October, Mad Hair Day – This is a chance for the children to unleash their creativity and come to school with a totally awesome hair do. It can be wacky, spooky or cute and doesn't have to include costly props or accessories. Zero cost inspiration can be found on Pinterest if you're looking for a few ideas.

Please be advised, this is **not** a non-school uniform day, so uniform must be worn as usual. Please make a £1.00 donation payable on the School Gateway to raise money for school funds.

Thursday 2nd November, Autumn Disco – Time for the kids to put on their dancing shoes and boogie the night away (well, early evening). The disco will be split into two sessions, with Reception, Year 1, 2 and 3 in the early time slot and Years 4, 5 and 6 in the later slot.

Tickets cost £3.00 per child and include entry to the disco, a snack and a drink (please ensure you notify us of any allergies or dietary requirements in the comments when paying on the School Gateway). **Payment MUST be made by Tuesday 31st October**. Glow sticks will be available for purchase on the night (cash only).

Please email song requests friendsofhighwood@highwood.herts.sch.uk detailing the song title, artist and which year group your child is in, no later than Friday 20th October. Please ensure the songs requested have no explicit or offensive lyrics.

We are still looking for a volunteer DJ, so if you've always had secret aspirations of spinning the decks, we can make your dream a reality! Please get in touch...

As it will be dark by the end of the disco, it would be greatly appreciated if someone could lend us some portable floodlights. This will aid the quick, safe handover of children back to parents or carers at the end of the night.

10th November, Quiz Night (Adults only) – We have secured the wonderful Richard Johnson to be our Quiz Master extraordinaire for this fun packed evening, so gather your teammates (max 6 participants per team) and book up those babysitters, because this is not one to be missed.

Ticket price will include entry to the quiz and a meal (options to be clarified shortly). Please bring your own drinks. Payment to be made in advanced via the school Gateway.

1st December, Dress Down Day – The children will be able to attend school in their own clothes (no football shirts please) in exchange for a prize to go into the tombola at the Christmas Fair. The prize does not have to be expensive, but we do ask that it is unopened, unused and in date (if food or drink)!

2nd December, Christmas Fair – Truly a fair with all the trimmings! This year you can look forward to all the usual much-loved games, activities, food, and visits to Father Christmas in his own Highwood grotto, with an extra dollop of Dottie's Sweetie Bus, funfair rides provided by the wonderful John Amer and a sleigh full of local artisans selling their fabulous products and creations (that's the Christmas presents sorted!).

If you or someone you know would be interested in having a stall at the fair, please ask them to email Friends of Highwood at friendsofhighwood@highwood.herts.sch.uk for more information.

15th December, Secret Shopping Room – The children absolutely love this opportunity to pick out gifts for their loved ones all by themselves. Not only does the Secret Shopping room help to nurture their independence, they are always so proud of themselves for choosing the perfect gift. The WRAP night for the secret shopping room is in the evening of Tuesday 12th December. More details to follow...

The children will be able to select up to five gifts each, for family, friends and even pets. Payment is to be made in advance via the school Gateway.

This is just the start of a fun packed year on events. As always, we can't run any of these without the support of the entire school community, so a massive thank you to each and every one of you for your contributions, time, expertise, and help.

Notices

We are pleased to announce that our Vice Treasurer, Emma, has agreed to take over the Treasurer position. This means we now have an opening for a Vice Treasurer, so please let us know if you're interested in this rewarding role. Alternatively, we are always keen for new members on the committee, so don't be shy, join today!

Over the next few weeks we will be looking for donations of Teddy Bears and left over party bag stuffers.

If you are able to offer some of your time to chaperone the disco, cover a stall at the Christmas Fair or wrap some gifts for the Secret Shopping Room, then look out for our volunteer sign-up sheets, which will be sent out shortly.

Many thanks,

Claire & Mel

Friends of Highwood Co-Chairs