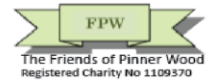


Friends of PINNER WOOD SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



April 2021

Friends of Pinner Wood School, also known as FPW, is a voluntary group of parents and school staff who help raise additional funds for the school by organising fundraising and social events; quiz nights, summer and winter fairs, dances, cake sales to list a few. All the money raised goes towards funding projects in school that benefit all our children. Recently we have funded new library books, playground equipment, outdoor classroom and white boards. Join the community and help us enhance the school environment with more opportunities for all our children.

Welcome to new parents!

As a new parent at Pinner Wood you are already part of the Friends of Pinner Wood (FPW). Over the next few years, you may choose to be heavily involved with the FPW, dip in and out or just come along and enjoy the events. Whatever your involvement you will always be welcome, make new friends and have a laugh!

How the FPW works

The FPW is a registered charity and therefore required to have a committee which is made up of three roles: Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. Parents usually take on these roles for 2/3 years. We then have many regular volunteers who attend meetings, help promote and run events and spread the word among the school community. Our current committee are Emma Quirke (Chair), Neesha Patel (Secretary) and Ruby Kamaly (Treasurer).



The FPW meet at least once a half term, we have adapted during this school year to hold our meetings on Zoom, which has enabled more people to attend meetings. As things change, we will try and include some face-to-face meetings as this is also a great way to make friends with other parents. In the lead up to an event, meetings are more regular and perhaps smaller based on involvement with the event.

Information about meeting dates, events and requests for help are always sent out via the school Parent Mail system, but if you would like to get in touch and be more involved sooner, please email friendspinnerwood@gmail.com.

We look forward to meeting you at future events.



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Where there's a will there's a way!

The 2020/2021 school year has been strange to say the least. We have however thought outside the box and managed to fundraise.

Our winter fundraising included a lights trail, an online raffle, a children's art project and a Christmas jumper day. Before Easter we created a fitness trail incorporating fitness activities to do along the way and a scavenger hunt.

We are currently planning our summer fundraising and hope to include another online raffle, a mini summer, car boot sale @ home plus an auction.

The events we have organised so far this year raised approx. £2,300. In addition to events, we are signed up to schemes which enable parents to raise money for free and these generate income throughout the year.



FREE FUNDRAISING - Raise money while shopping

[easyfundraising](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)

£1,932.15 raised to date.

If you shop online, please think of using [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk), you don't pay anything extra but Pinner Wood School gets a donation. All you need to do is:

- **Step 1**
Go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk and create an account, this is free and easy to do. Register that you are supporting Pinner Wood School so they know where to send the money!
- **Step 2**
Choose your retailer and start shopping.

[Amazon Smile](https://smile.amazon.co.uk)

£101.13 raised to date.

We have all become familiar with Amazon over lockdown! Now, you can raise money at no extra cost to yourself.

Use smile.amazon.co.uk and select **Friends of Pinner Wood School** as your charity. From that point on eligible purchases will generate donations for FPW.

[Easy2name.co.uk](https://www.easy2name.co.uk) – buy your name labels online and nominate Pinner Wood School at the checkout for us to receive free cashback on

