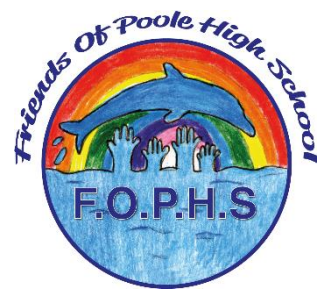




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24 September 2020

Dear parent/guardian/carer

Firstly, may we introduce ourselves to new parents and carers to the school, we are Friends of Poole High School, or FOPHS, the Parent Teacher Association at Poole High School. Whilst a small and fairly recently formed group, we have been committed to fund raising for school equipment and the little things that will make students time in school that little bit nicer.

Poole High School have invested £30K in additional covered seating areas and our aim for 2020 had been to raise money to buy outside seating and tables for students to have somewhere to sit during break and lunchtimes, as this was something students themselves had been asking for. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, all face to face events this year, such as our summer fayre, have had to be cancelled. Whilst we have a few fundraising events planned for the coming months, we are very keen to fund the purchase of this seating which is even more important considering the current situation we are in. So far we have raised £1000 to buy the equipment, we need to raise another £7000 to reach our target of buying enough seating to service the student's needs.

In the absence of planned events, we are asking if parents could possibly make a donation of what you may have spent at one of our cancelled events. A suggested donation would be £10 per student, but of course you can donate more or less as any amount would be much appreciated. Payment can be made on the Wisepay online payment system available via the school website. This is the only method of payment being accepted at the moment. If you have lost your login details or have any queries/problems, please email: wisepay@poolehigh.poole.sch.uk.

Further fundraising this year will aim to address other needs the school have indicated as priority due to COVID 19, where there is no extra funding available from the Government to address the changes having to be made within the school environment. We are looking for raffle prizes for a future event, please let us know if you are able to donate any prizes. In addition to this, if you know of any local businesses that would like to sponsor some seating, donate prizes or vouchers, please pass them our contact details, FOPHS@poolehigh.poole.sch.uk.

Finally, if you would like to join us at our next meeting (via Zoom), please email us at the above FOPHS email address and we can add you to our mailing list. We are an informal group and are looking to increase our numbers this year.

Yours sincerely

Fiona Bannister
Teacher representative
On behalf of FOPHS