

# NEWS

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## Friends of St. Margaret's

*The Friends of St Margaret's are a group of volunteer parents, carers and school staff who all work together and give their time to raise much needed funds for the school.*

*We are a registered charity and raise money to enhance and enrich the children's school lives and education along with building a school community.*



## Fundraising Update

Together we have managed to raise the following funds for the school in the last term...

Amazon Smile & Easy Fundraising	£58.27
APFS Christmas Cards	£855.50
Couch25K training donations	£84.00
Book fair commission (for school to spend directly with Scholastics)	£1,122.00
Second-hand uniform sale	£266.00
Easter egg hunt	£330.00

## Upcoming Events

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup> May**

Non-uniform day

**Fri 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

Last day before half-term break

**Tue 7<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

First day back after half-term break

## Second-hand Uniform Sale

Our long-awaited second-hand uniform sale was a great success, and the shed is considerably tidier. Thank you to everyone who supported the event by donating, washing, selling or buying uniforms. We hope to hold another sale soon!

## Treasurer needed

We are looking for a new Treasurer. While this role doesn't require an accountant, it does need someone who is organised, has a reasonable head for figures, can use spreadsheets and is able to read and understand relevant legislation. The Treasurer has overall responsibility for managing PTA funds and complying with legislation governing charities.



Please consider signing up to [easyfundraising](#) and [Amazon smile](#) to support the Friends of St Margaret's at no extra cost to yourself.

Signing up is quick and simple to do and a great way to raise extra funds for FREE whilst shopping online!

## Egg-cellent turnout

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Easter egg hunt on the school grounds. It was fantastic to see so many happy families stay and take part despite the wild weather. We can't wait to organise more in person events in the next term!





## Summer Fair

After a two-year hiatus, we hope to be able to hold our very popular summer fair again this summer. We are keen for some fresh ideas and a sub-committee will be formed soon. If you would like to get involved, either contact one of the Friends directly or send a message to [friendsstmargarets@gmail.com](mailto:friendsstmargarets@gmail.com).

## Donate cashless

Non-uniform day and you have forgotten to bring a £1 coin? Not a problem! In order to make donations more convenient, we have signed up to the online payment platform [BOPP](#). All you need is to have online banking set up on your phone and you can simply scan the QR code displayed at the respective event and make a payment quickly and easily.



### SCAN TO PAY

Simply scan the QR code to make a payment

Do you have mobile banking with one of these banks?



## Help us grow!

The Friends of St. Margaret's are a vital part of our school community: bridging gaps in funding but also bringing people together. And as much as the Friends are important to the school, so are you essential to us. We would love to hear your ideas and simply cannot organise the variety and number of events we would like to without the help of parents, carers and grandparents giving up a little of their time. We appreciate the demands of work and home life for the vast majority of us, and we certainly do not expect you to commit to anything regular or long-term. There are many ways how you can help: from holding a collection bucket on non-uniform day or helping for an hour during the summer fair, to making introductions to people outside the school community that might be able to support us with our events or fundraising. We are planning to organise some informal community events over the next few months, and it would be great if you came along – no obligation to volunteer for anything. Promise!



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