

News from the Friends of Whitefield PTFA Summer 2019



Hello! Welcome to our summer term Friends of Whitefield newsletter – there's a round up of Penwortham Live, summer fair news, a mission to find superheroes and a big welcome to parents and children joining us in September 2019.

Whitefield Summer Fair - the event of the year!!! Friday 12th July 6-9pm



ROLL UP, ROLL UP! COME ALONG AND ENJOY A GREAT FAMILY EVENING OUT!!

The Whitefield annual Summer Fair is the biggest event in our calendar and 2019 promises to be a cracking evening! We'll have loads of entertainment including the world famous Whitefield's Got Talent, Whitefield Bake Off, inflatables (including a hang-on-for-your-life surfboard!), sweets, fish & chip van, a beer tent and much, much more! You can find out more details on our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/friendsofwhitefield/

Ticket prices are £3 per adult and £2 per child. £7 per family ticket.

Buy your tickets **NOW** at https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofwhitefield

FOOD: After lots of discussion we have decided not to include food in the ticket price this year, there will be food available to buy on the night including halal and vegetarian options.

Give us a shout! Summer fair callout!

- Do you want a stall at the summer fair?
- ➤ Maybe you're a performer or in a club and could provide entertainment in the arena?
- Would you like your company name all over our summer fair programme?
- Do you have something amazing you could bring to our summer fair?
- Could you be our exclusive beer tent sponsor?

Email <u>fow@whitefield-pri.lancs.sch.uk</u>, text Nic on 07823 880832 or leave a note at the office.

Call Nic Simpson (Chair): 07823 880832 Email: fow@whitefield-pri.lancs.sch.uk
Come and give us a like on Facebook: www.facebook.com/friendsofwhitefield



Are you up for a challenge?

Can you put up a gazebo in record time? Do you have secret tombola talents? Are you a candyfloss whizz? Can you unstack chairs with one hand tied behind your back?

We're looking for parents who are willing to take up the PTFA challenge at the summer fair and help us set up and run stalls. Give an hour and become a Friends of Whitefield superhero

Sign up at www.pta-events.co.uk /friendsofwhitefield or text Nic on 07823 880832 with 'I'm a superhero'.

Penwortham Live! 2019

An epic weekend!! The weather was kind to us, the beer was flowing, the kids were having a ball and the music was amazing!

On Friday we kicked off with Do-Re-Mi Singing who went down a storm, then we were treated to Me & Fred, Matt Whittingham Entertainment was truly entertaining and Bandit rounded the night off, and had us all dancing!

We had free sports coaching, provided by SRBC on both nights from 6-8pm and the wonderful Green Frog food truck kept us well fed all weekend.



On Saturday we had some stunning acts, Matt Whittingham Entertainment blew our minds for a 2nd time, The Well-Dressed Gentlemen mesmerised the audience, Rock Choir packed the place and Room 4 finished off our weekend in spectacular style.

We got loads of positive feedback about the atmosphere and safe environment for the kids. We're still counting the pennies but we have raised several hundred pounds – an event that got all the community to see our brilliant school and raised a load of cash.

And the great news is we've been invited back as a venue next year!

Who can be part of the Friends of Whitefield PTFA?

The Friends of Whitefield is a Parent, Teacher and Friend Association – that means any parent, guardian or carer of a child attending Whitefield, plus teachers, school staff and anyone over the age of 18 who wants to offer support of help can get involved.

This means if you're part of our local community or used to have children at Whitefield you can still stay involved.

Does your child start at Whitefield in September 2019?

The first thing we'd like to say is welcome to school to The Friends of Whitefield. We're a very active parent, teacher and friends association. Our main role is fundraising for school by putting on lots of fantastic events through the year such as discos, cinemas and the summer fair. We bring the community together when we can and getting involved is a brilliant way to see what goes on in school and give something back.

The great news is you get free 'membership' of the PTFA as soon as your child joins school. And this is your PTFA – if you get involved you decide what events we put on, come up with inventive ways to raise money and have a say in how the money is spent. Last year we raised almost £6000 and paid for the fantastic outdoor classroom you can see on our back field. This year we introduced an online ticketing system and you can see all our events on there www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofwhitefield. It's also where you can volunteer to get involved.

We send a newsletter each term, update the school website and have our own Facebook page www.facebook.com/friendsofwhitefield

We'll hopefully see you all at the new starters party on Saturday 21st September 2-4pm (make sure you return your slip) and the Friends of Whitefield AGM at The Brown Hare, Tues 24th Sept 6.45pm. Everyone (including kids) are welcome at our meetings.

When's the next FoW meeting?

Every 2 months we hold a FoW meeting to organise events through the year, it's a great way to share your ideas too – all our meetings are child friendly. You can find the minutes of all our meetings on the school website www.whitefield-pri.lancs.sch.uk

NEXT MEETING – Annual General Meeting (AGM) TUES 24th Sept 6.45PM AT THE BROWN HARE, PENWORTHAM

Upcoming FoW events & dates – get them in your diary!

June Fri 28th WWYW for summer fair – please send in a bottle of alcohol (or 3!) or £1

July Fri 12th Summer fair
September Sat 21st New starters party – 2-4pm

September Tues 24th Friends of Whitefield AGM – Brown Hare 6.45pm – everyone welcome

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