

Friends of The William Hogarth School (PTA)

General Meeting: Friday 31 Jan at 9am

Please join us for the Spring Term's Friends of the William Hogarth School General Meeting on Friday 31 January at 9am. Join us for tea and cake to discuss the following agenda items:

Financial Report on our fundraising in the Autumn Term

Donations to the school this term (see below for more details)

Events: review of last term's events and schedule for the remainder of the year

School website survey

Summer Fair discussion (see below)

A full agenda will be available shortly. Let us know if there is anything you'd like to raise. If you cannot attend the meeting, please do share your thoughts with us in advance via email or through your Class Rep. All are welcome!

Our Fundraising Provides Grants to our School

We raised a smashing £7,000 last term for the benefit of our children's school. A simple amazing amount that we could not have achieved without all of you! A big thank you to all those that contributed and supported in big and small ways.

While we've exceeded all expectations, let's build on the momentum and make it our best year yet in supporting our children's educational needs. Each event – like our Christmas Fair, Friday Fun and International Food Festival - helps to provide additional equipment and resources for the children.

At our General Meeting on Friday 31 January, we will discuss the allocation of these funds in line with the school's needs and priorities. We are consulting with all parents and carers to allocate our Autumn term grant to support for:

Information Communication Technology (ICT) equipment including Chromebooks
“Learning Kitchen” with specialised cooking equipment including mini ovens

Summer Fair starts now!

Our Summer Fair typically takes place in June / July on Chiswick Back Common and raises a significant sum for our school, not to mention, an amazing day of family fun that the children look forward to so much. We will be discussing first planning steps at the meeting next Friday but the real key to making the event happen is having volunteers to help set-up (from 8am) and then pack-up (till 7pm) on the day itself. In the past a small group of people have been taken part in set-up, and an even smaller group helping get equipment back to the school.

We will only be able to run the fair this year if we get sufficient commitment from parents in these key areas. We're sure your children enjoy the fair as much as ours do, so please think about whether you would be able to help make the fair as successful as it has been in previous years by offering your help.

Raise funds for our school for free

When online shopping, don't forget to use online platform *Easy Fundraising* and *Amazon Smile* to raise money for the school, without costing a penny. Click on the link below and shop online as you usually would with retailers, such as Marks & Spencer, Sainsburys, Waitrose and Booking.com. There are hundreds of retailers more to use and it can raise thousands of pounds each year. Search for

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On behalf of the Friends of the William Hogarth School

The Friends of the William Hogarth School (FOWHS) are an important part of our school and help us with many little extras for our children. We’d love to hear from you, so please do get in touch on williamhogarthpta@gmail.com or talk to your Class Rep.