

# **FOFW PTFA NEWSLETTER**

UPDATES AND HIGHLIGHTS FOR OCTOBER 2025

Welcome to our first newsletter of the school year! A big 'hello' to all of the new families that have joined us this term. We hope this newsletter explains a bit more about our Floreat community and all that we do to support our fabulous school. We have lots of fun plans in the works! It is the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Floreat this year so watch this space! We are also finding a way to officially launch and show everyone the new library funded by this group last year!

#### **KEEP IN TOUCH**

We are posting more regular updates on social media - please follow us on **Instagram**, every little helps our engagement with the local community so asking friends and family to follow, commenting and sharing is so appreciated.

@friends of floreat wandworth

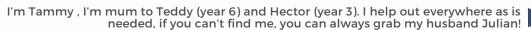
You can contact us at any ideas with ideas, suggestions, questions etc on fofwevents@gmail.com

# **MEET THE COMMITTEE**

Friends of Floreat Wandsworth is our school PTFA (Parents, Teacher's and Friends Association). Our mission is to raise funds to enhance the facilities at Floreat and also to encourage and facilitate social activity within the school community. Meet the committee below... please come and say 'hi' in the playground. We look forward to meeting you all!

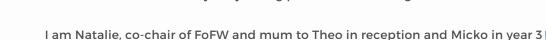


I'm Annie, mum to Aroush in year 3 and Alaina in Nursery. I also have the role of Head Rep, meaning I support our fantastic class reps and I look after the reps' WhatsApp group communications.



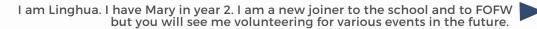


I'm Charlotte, mum to Emilia in year 3 . This will be my second year as co-chair of FOFW and I am the one usually busy taking photos for our instagram!





I'm Lena, mum of Lara (year 4) and Victor & Ada. I am the FOFW treasurer.



(but also aunt to Oscar in year 3, so if you see me with an extra kid, that's why).



I'm Alex. I have Flynn in reception. We are both new to Floreat and I'm excited to see you at our events this year!

I'm Polly. Mummy to Harry in Year 3 and Lulu in Nursery (and a newborn at home).
I've joined FOFW as Secretary this Year and really looking forward to it.



My name is Maryam, and I'm excited to be joining FOFW this year. My son (Tiam) is in reception, and I'm looking forward to getting more involved in our wonderful school community.

I'm Jaanu, mom to Anika in year 3 and a fresher to FOFW - you'll see me on a Monday or Thursday running for pickups.



I'm Emily! Mum to Bart (year 2), Sid (Reception) and Maud. I've just joined FOFW and looking forward to helping out with things over the coming year!



I'm Sophie, mum of Freya in Nursery. This is our first year at Floreat and we are looking forward to getting to know the school & families.





# **MEET THE CLASS REPS**

As well as the committee we also have a team of fantastic class reps who are always on the end of a WhatsApp to answer questions and share relevant information for your year group. In her role as Head Rep, Annie co-ordinates them all.

If you are not yet on your class WhatsApp group and wish to be, please ask to be added. These groups are run by parents, for the benefit of parents, so please use them sensibly.

#### **NURSERY**

## RECEPTION







Angel, Alex, Ellie, Maryam & Emily

#### YEAR ONE



Emily, Andy & Yasmin

#### **YEAR TWO**



Julie & Hannah

#### YEAR THREE



Daisy, Georgie & Jess

#### YEAR FOUR



Floris & Tiffany

#### YEAR FIVE



Georgia & Catriona

#### YEAR SIX



Tammy & Chloe



# **THANK YOU!**

Last year saw an incredible fundraising effort from the Floreat community, we, and the school, are so grateful! We raised over £20,000 to fund the new school library through some amazing activities such as a sponsored readathon and the London Mini-Marathon. The new library is a wonderful space and we hope that you will take the time to have a look at it - it will be open for you to enjoy at the parents' evenings in November!

This year we are continuing to work with the senior leadership of the school to ensure our fundraising efforts are aligned with their overall goals for the school and the children's experience.

Here are some other examples of how funds have been spent over the last year.

#### **New library!**



#### Top numbers from 2024/5

Nearly £1000 raised from cake sales last year!

**£2000** raised through the second hand uniform sale!

£4000 raised from the summer fair!

£1000 donated by Killik & Co on the Northcote Road

Enriching our children's experience: Last year we paid for drawing workshops, funded an author visit on World Book day, chicks for early years, funded Forest school and improved the garden provision.

We also invited a theatre group to perform a pantomime and this year they will be back by popular demand! Year 5's also had drama lessons via BOSS and did a fantastic end of year performance, and the current Year 5's will have the same experience!



#### School Equipment!

FoFW funds lots of sports, books and general equipment for the school. Last year we replenished the gymnastics equipment at Mr Barton's request - there are lots of keen gymnasts enjoying the new beams and bars!

We also contribute to school daily life by making sure the prize-box is topped-up, new books are purchased and by supporting families who need it.



# UPDATES AND INFORMATION

The FOFW committee met at the beginning of term to discuss plans for the year ahead. We were delighted to have some of the new starter parents join us and to hear some great new ideas! There were lots of things to talk about, particularly because this is the 10th anniversary of the school! Watch this space for celebrations.... starting off with a new school song being written for us!

If you have any ideas on how to spend the funds raised or causes you'd like to champion, don't hesitate to get in touch! Or, do you have any particular skills that you are happy share? In particular we're looking for a **new DJ** for our parties and discos! Our resident DJ returned to Antipodean roots, so whilst we wish him well, we're missing his skills and smoke machine! fofwevents@gmail.com

#### FRI 7TH NOV: FOFW ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Join us on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Nov for our AGM and find out more about our plans for the year! After drop off in the school hall.

# **SUN 9TH NOV:**ADULTS GARDENING AFTERNOON

1-4pm in the community garden - our fantastic school gardener Beata needs many hands to help with some important jobs in the garden! Children welcome, supervised although no specific activities for them (we hold specific sessions later in the school year!). There will also be cake!



#### SECOND HAND UNIFORM

The second hand uniform shop is online via <u>uniformerly</u>. You can donate any clean, Floreatbranded, items to the school office at any time. Only those that are in a good state though please and no dresses, shirts, trousers etc! All purchases can be collected from the office too. If you prefer to pay in cash for your items please email <u>fofwevents@gmail.com</u> to arrange.



This year already we've raised over £1,000!

## **BEANIE HATS**

With the cold weather fast approaching (sadly!)
- our lovely Floreat branded beanie hats are
now available to order online! These will be
available for collection from the office a few
days after purchasing. Note - these are brand
new and not available from Stevensons; all
proceeds go directly to school.

<a href="https://friends-of-floreat-wandsworth.sumupstore.com">https://friends-of-floreat-wandsworth.sumupstore.com</a>





#### **EASY FUNDRAISING!**

It really actually is easy.

By downloading the widget to your phone and laptop and doing your normal online shopping you will raise money for the school! The weekly Sainsbury's shop really adds up...



Just visit

<u>easyfundraising.</u>

<u>org.uk</u>

to help raising

money for us

today!



£81.30 Donations raised

5

New supporters

31

shops completed

easyfundraising

You shop, Brands donate.



# FOFW ACTIVITIES DURING THE AUTUMN TERM..

# THURS 2ND OCT: HARVEST DONATIONS





The donations made by Floreat pupils, staff and families were gratefully received by the Earlsfield Food Bank. We are always blown away by people's generosity, thank you! Earlsfield food bank plan on coming in to talk with the children about what happens next to donations.

#### FRI 10TH OCT: YEAR 3 CAKE SALE



Thank you to everyone who baked, bought and enjoyed the year 3 cake sale this month. We raised a phenomenal £344. There will be more delicious cake sales hosted by other year groups in the coming months so please keep an eye out for news of these.

# FRI 17TH OCT: COFFEE MORNING & WACKY HAIR DAY

Over 40 parents came to our first coffee morning and found it a great way to get to know others! And wow! £475 raised via donations on the gate and a lot of creative hairstyles!













#### FRI 21ST NOV: ADULT SOCIAL



Dust off your dabbers\* and warm up your vocal cords. Join us for a night at the bingo, hosted in the school hall.

Whether you are coming alone or rallying a group from your year, this promises to be highly competitive and great fun. Buy tickets here <a href="https://friends-of-floreat-wandsworth.sumupstore.com">https://friends-of-floreat-wandsworth.sumupstore.com</a>

(\*Dabbers will be provided.)

# WEDS 26TH NOV: WREATH MAKING

Join us for a festive
evening making
wreaths! We will be
guided by the talented
Holly Wild
@wyld\_wreaths

Tickets are available to purchase on sum-up and include the wreath and a bar token.

Charcuterie platters will be available to preorder.



BUY TICKETS HERE HTTPS://FRIENDS-OF-FLOREAT-WANDSWORTH.SUMUPSTORE.COM



# **SUMMER FAIR JULY 2025**



What a day! We braved some rain but a lot of fun was had and £4k after expenses raised for the library! A mammoth effort including over 70 parent volunteers during the day itself. We especially loved the creativity shown by the Yr 4 - 6 entrepreneurs!



















Special thanks to the Year 6's for designing our poster, Killik & Co and Rampton Basely for sponsoring the event, Adam from Earlsfield Kitchen for running the BBQ, Logiscool, Ms Burton for her fantastic chicken and to everyone that leant a hand on the day! What a community effort!