



FRIENDS OF GRANTA SCHOOL

Parents, staff & friends working together for the children & young adults with special needs who attend Granta School

Newsletter September 2017

We hope you all had a great summer holiday and are settling into the new school year. In particular we welcome students, parents, staff and carers who are new this term. The good news is that you have automatically become members of the Friends of Granta School, known as FOGS for short!

What is FOGS?

FOGS is a registered charity set up in 2008. Each year we organise a number of events with two main aims:

1. To raise money to provide Granta students with equipment, experiences and opportunities which otherwise would not be available to them.
2. To provide a social outlet for everyone at the school, students, parents/family & staff alike, so that they can have lots of fun & meet outside the education environment!

FOGS is run by a small committee which meets two or three times a term and we are always in need of more people to join, or come up with fresh ideas. It is only with this support that FOGS will be able to carry on in its present form. You will be warmly welcomed to any meeting & details of these can be found on the school website. We are also aware that meetings during the day do not suit everyone and will be looking into the feasibility of holding at least some meetings in the evening in future.

Last year we managed to fund many trips out for the children, new play equipment, Christmas arts & crafts supplies, and in school activities/fun days. Our last event of the year was the Summer Fete. This was enjoyed by all who attended and although the weather was not on our side we managed to raise over £520. Next year we really hope to attract more parents and students to this event so if you would like a stall of your own, are able to help run a stall or have any ideas for games & attractions please contact Amanda Reynolds on: joineryreynolds@outlook.com or drop a note into the office.

This Term

Events planned so far for this term are:

Autumn Disco - Tuesday 10th October, 7.00-8.30pm: Come along and enjoy dancing and games with the ever popular DJ Jezzo. Light refreshments are provided and although this event is funded by FOGS donations are always very gratefully received.

Staff Quiz Night To date we have run one of these but as it was such a resounding success we are holding another in October. This is a chance for staff & Fogs committee to 'let their hair down' and do battle against each other in quiz teams with a fish & chip supper provided. We are hoping to run a similar event in 2018 for parents. This provides an opportunity for parents to meet each other and enjoy an 'evening off'.

Christmas Fair - Saturday 2nd December 1.30- 4.00pm: an ideal place to buy Christmas presents and more. With music, hot & cold refreshments & the chance to buy some of the children's arts & crafts what more could you want as a start to the Christmas festivities? Help will be needed to run stalls etc on the



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day so if you can offer any help or would like to have a craft stall of your own please contact Amanda Reynolds on: joineryreynolds@outlook.com or leave a note in the school office.

We look forward to seeing you all at some of our future events and thank you in advance for your help and support.

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