

October 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and Staff



It's never too early for Christmas!



Thanks so much to everyone who came to our first FOBH meeting of the year on 27th September - lovely to meet some new faces and share some new ideas! Here's a quick update on plans so far for this term...

Christmas Raffle

We'll be sending home raffle tickets in a few weeks... look out for them in your student's bags! Please sell as many as you can to friends, family and colleagues when you get them.

And we need prize donations – could you help??

- Are you or do you know a beautician, photographer, hair stylist, restaurant/cafe owner or similar who could offer a voucher?
- Do you work for a company who supply foods, drinks, homewares or similar?
- Do you have contacts at LCFC or Leicester Tigers??
- Does your company run ticketed activities – theatre, cinema, swimming, gigs, crazy golf, theme park, gym – anything our families might enjoy!
- Do you have unwanted gifts (adult or childrens) cluttering up the house??

If you, your work, or your friends could donate a raffle prize please ask the! Bring your donations into school anytime between now and 23rd November. We can turn donations of pretty much anything into cash to support school 😊

If you need a letter quoting our charity number just email Kate at kate.elsie.molly@gmail.com and she'll send one right back.

Christmas Fayre: Saturday 25th November 2023, 12noon-3pm

Hold the date! This year will be even more festive than ever, and the grotto will be back – but only if you've been good! We'll remind you nearer the time, but if you can please start collecting the following donations for us that would be amazing:

- Teddies and soft toys
- Pre-loved toys and games
- Bottles for the tombola (anything new in a bottle, from shampoo to champagne!)
- Chocolates and sweets for the tombola

Bring your donations into school anytime between now and 23 November - please leave with reception on the Wigston site FAO Friends of Birkett House. Thank you!

We'll also have a few spaces for craft/gift stalls at the fayre. Tables are £20 each - contact Kate at kate.elsie.molly@gmail.com with details of what you'd be selling to apply for a table.

And if you can help on the day on a stall for a couple of hours, hold the date and we'll be asking for volunteers nearer the time.

Next FOBH meeting

Our next meeting, which will also be our AGM, will be on Friday 3 November, 9.30am, Wigston site. As usual, we'll have tea/coffee and lots of biccies, and everyone is very welcome!

Could you join the committee?

We have a small committee supported by a larger team of fabulous parents and grandparents. In November our long-standing secretary and treasurer will both be standing down after many amazing years in the roles, so we are looking for volunteers to take on these two key roles? Could you spare a few hours a month to help out? Contact Kate on 07758 219108 to find out more and/or come along to the meeting...

Thank you for your ongoing support - we look forward to seeing some of you at our next meeting on 3 November, otherwise we'll see you at the Christmas Fayre.

Have a great half term break, everyone!

Very best wishes,

Friends of Birkett House Team

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