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AN ACADEMY

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Dear Parents

I am writing to seek your support with The Friends of Farmor's School (our Parent Teacher Association).

FOFS is a group who have organised a number of successful fundraising activities over the years, from Christmas raffles to comedy and curry nights that raise money to help the school pay for resources that enhance the experiences your children have. FOFS fundraising each year subsidises the cost of the school minibuses and has allowed us to purchase new computers in various places in the school. Some of the money raised is made available to staff to bid for and the FOFS committee decides how to allocate it. In recent years, money has been used to buy anything from aprons for D&T Catering to extra-long tents for the Duke of Edinburgh Award's tallest students.

The number of parents at committee meetings and events has been very low recently and there is some uncertainty as to why this is. Therefore, we now want to re-launch FOFS in a way that you feel would get more parents involved to support the school. FOFS' long serving chairperson, Toni Marsh, has decided to step down after 4 years and so we have an opportunity for new parents to come forward and lead the group. We can review the purpose of the group and consider how to get more members of the school community involved in supporting the school, be it through volunteering to help with maintenance, raising money or deciding how that money should be allocated. So, if you have any ideas or would like to be more involved, we would love your input.

If you feel you would like to contribute, please come along to the FOFS Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 13th October at 7pm in the Conference Room. There will be refreshments and a chance to socialise with other parents and staff but, most importantly, to get the ball rolling on making the Friends of Farmor's School an integral cog in our school's success.

Yours faithfully

Matthew Evans
Headteacher

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