SUTTON-ON-THE-FOREST

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well. I wanted to share some exciting updates following our recent Friends of Sutton School (FOSS) Annual General Meeting.

First and foremost, a huge thank you to everyone who attended. It was wonderful to see so many familiar faces and welcome some new parents and carers to our school community.

We have an ambitious goal this year - a one-year mission to raise as much money as possible to improve our learning space for Year 5 and 6. Whether this means creating a new classroom or enhancing our existing space, we have lots of exciting ideas.

A new committee has been formed: Mel Brooker as Chair, myself as Vice-Chair, Tori Boycott as Secretary, and Polly Hall as Treasurer. While we need a formal committee to maintain our charity status, this is very much a collective effort involving our whole school community, including the governing body, to make this dream a reality for our pupils and staff.

We have several fundraising events planned for the remainder of this half term and leading up to Christmas:

- Reception/Year 1/2 Bake Sale: Thursday 23rd October
- Children's Disco: Tuesday 16th December
- Christmas Hamper and Children's Christmas Cards
- Mulled Wine & Mince Pies at the Church: Thursday 11th December

We want to explore fundraising opportunities beyond our immediate school community and are considering initiatives like a Park Run takeover, bag packing at supermarkets and parents/carers completing the Three Peaks challenge.

In addition to the fantastic event fundraisers planned we also wanted to take this moment to reintroduce/ relaunch our school lottery, for those who are new or who are not yet



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involved, this is a great way to regularly support the school and have a chance of winning a small prize pot too! Signing up is easy – please see the link on the attached flyer.

If you have any ideas about potential sponsorships or support from larger companies, please do get in touch. Our next meeting is on Tuesday 18th November at 6pm in school, and we would love to see you there.

Together, we can make a real difference for our school.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Pye

Headteacher

