



Dear All

I hope you had a lovely time during the summer break and are now feeling settled into the school routine, despite the recent sad news of HM the Queen passing away.

Many of you would have met me either on the school run or at the coffee morning last Friday and are aware of the activities the Friends of Alverstone Infant School Charity are running to support the school and therefore its pupils. However, for those who are not, I am listing a few that are to be expected this year:

- Participation in the Alverstone Michaelmas Fair (raising funds)
- Welcome BBQ
- Summer Fair
- Christmas Fair
- School Disco(s)
- Kids' movie nights
- Year 2 leavers' party
- Organising Christmas, Mother's Day and Father's Day presents

Each of those events will rely on our help in terms of volunteering our time and skills to organise them as well as raising funds (all of the money are spent on the items the school otherwise won't be able to afford!). And, unfortunately, a lot of parents who gave their time to support the Charity last year have moved on. I would urge you therefore to consider joining our Charity by volunteering your time and skills.

We will take as little or as much time as you can give, even if it is just a few hours a year. We need volunteers to organise, resource and run these events. These events raise valuable funds that are vital in providing the enriching activities that enhance your child's time at school. Joining us may also be an opportunity to make new friends, build up your skills, confidence and CV.

If you are even half interested - give me a call or WhatsApp on 07951512511. We will be holding **our first face-to-face meeting this year on the 20th September just after the morning school run (meeting in the Cabin)** – I hope you can join us for a cuppa and swap ideas.

Urgent Request!

I also need to ask everyone to **donate a toy your child no longer plays with** (it can be a soft toy) or a book in a very good condition that will be suitable for our stall at the Michaelmas Fair this weekend. This is our attempt to raise funds without appealing directly to parents'

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financial contributions. The more attractive toys we receive, the better our chances of making more money.

We will be accepting the donations by the COP 23 September at the school reception.

And lastly, I would like to send a huge thank you to everyone who already spared a little or a lot of time to support previous events including the BBQ on Friday which was a huge success and enjoyed by everyone.

Kind regards,
Olga Winkle

The Chair of Trustees, Friends of Alverstone Infants School