

Friends of Townfield



Newsletter

What is FOT?

Friends of Townfield, more commonly known as FOT is the school's PTA group which consists of people from our school community (parents/carers and school staff) who fundraise for the pupils of Townfield Primary School. The monies raised are used to the sole benefit of the children to enhance their experience at school and often include treats, where funds allow.

Who is who?

FOT is made up of the following volunteers:-

Chair – Mrs Ellis & Co-Chair - Miss Rees
 Advisor – Mr Wilbrham
 Social Media/Newsletter - Miss Dineley
 Treasurer - Mrs Mclroy
 Secretary – Mrs McDowell
 Committee Members (volunteers) - 28 people



FOT's Vision

Unfortunately, due to COVID and members whose children have moved on in their school journey to secondary school, the previous FOT was disbanded. The efforts by all those previously involved are fondly remembered and their achievements have driven the desire to restart FOT.

FOTs Future

The current FOT team was set up on 13th October 2021 with exactly £0 in the bank. Within only 6 weeks, with the help of a crowdfunding, a Tuck & Toy Shop has been set up by our dedicated members. In addition, a school own clothes day has taken place meaning already over £500 has been raised. This is a fabulous achievement and has only been possible due to the dedication of FOT but also because of the kindness and support by all our parents and carers at Townfield Primary. **THANK YOU!**

FOTs Focus - Autumn & Winter

FOT's current focus for this fundraising is to get Santa to visit TPS and bring every child a present. The children at Townfield really are fantastic and deserve a treat and we are confident that with the continuing fundraising and support from our families this will be possible.

In addition to this Father Christmas is also bringing "Class Presents" Teachers' are currently submitting their "wish list" for presents up to the value of £15 per class; this could either be a board game for wet play or something to help assist with learning.



FOT's Future Focus - Spring & Summer

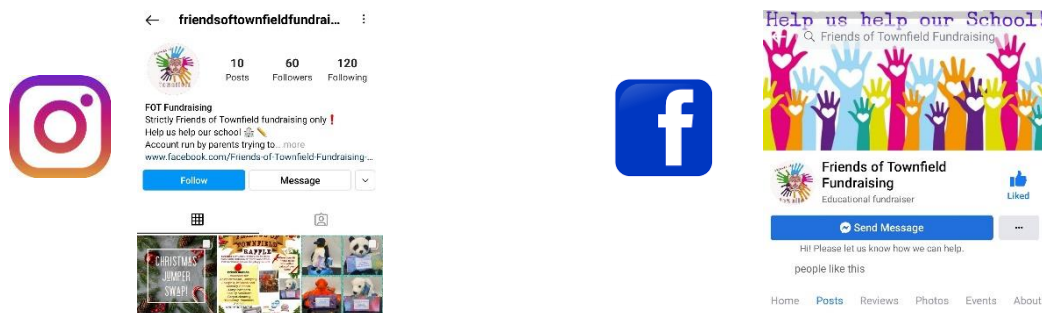
For details of FOT meetings please see the FOT page on the school's website ([FOT](#)). Fundraising ideas will be discussed at this meeting as well as the "Wish List" for the coming year. One suggestion is a Christmas panto for our children, but members will be given their opportunity to contribute at any meetings and we look forward to hearing them.

Ideas already on the table are Family Fun Day – to possibly be held at Parkonians, Summer Fair, World Book Day Event (The Big Book Swap), Recycle & Reuse events, to name a few.

How do I keep up to date with FOT?

FOT will be sharing their termly newsletter via the school to keep you all informed of meetings and fundraising events. You can contact us using our [contact us form](#) or email FOT.friendsoftownfield@gmail.com. We also have a Facebook and Instagram page, as well as a dedicated page on the Schools Website (About us > School – Services, Provisions & Community > FOT).

Any emails sent in we can dedicate a portion of our meetings to read out parent ideas and discuss them, however all ideas that are agreed on will still need approval from Townfield Primary School as FOT doesn't have final say over events and management of the school. Education is still a priority.



How can you help?

Our Toy & Tuck Shop takes place every Friday after school and is very popular! So that we are able to run this every week we need volunteers. Volunteers will need to help from 2.45pm to 3.45 pm on a Friday. If you can't commit every Friday, but can still help please get in touch via email (FOT.friendsoftownfield@gmail.com) and we will add you to the rota. If you want to help, but feel unable due to work commitments, please still get in touch as there are also ways you can help, e.g. wrapping Christmas presents, sourcing raffle prizes, etc.



What if I am unable to volunteer?

We understand that not everyone is able to dedicate time to FOT due to family or work commitments. For those who cannot volunteer, you can help support us by contributing to our fundraising events. After all without your support, our fundraising successful would not be possible.

Upcoming Events

- 25th November 2021 deadline for handing in jumpers for Christmas Jumper Swap
- 2nd December 2021 Big Jumper Swap on the playground
- Friday 17th December 2021 – FOT Cake Sale

Thank you for your super support!

Mrs Ellis & Miss Rees

FOT Chair & Co-Chair