



8th September 2021

PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION OF PARKSIDE

Meeting Thursday 16th September
3:30pm in the School Hall

Dear Parents/Carers,

After a break of nearly 18 months the Parents and Friends Association of Parkside will meet for their **Annual General Meeting on THURSDAY 16th SEPTEMBER at 3:30pm in the school hall.** The meeting will be an opportunity for you to hear about how the Friends operate, the different types of events they organise and the ways they support the children.

The meeting is open to everyone and I hope that you will be able to join us. Without your support it will be very difficult to hold events for the children and for the community to come together.

Before the pandemic hit we had just celebrated the annual talent show and the arrangements for our first Easter egg hunt were well under way. We had also made plans to hold an open air cinema event and our second summer fayre. So as you can see we have a very active Friends Association. The full calendar of events for this year is quite flexible and we hope to hear ideas from any new members at next Thursday's meeting. Some of the events we have already put in the calendar include:

EVENT	MONTH
Annual General Meeting	September
Disco for the children	October
Popcorn Night	November
Dress to Impress	November
Firework Display	November
Cake sale	December
Design a Christmas Card	December
Annual Talent Show	January
Disco for the children	February
Scholastic book fayre	March
Easter egg hunt	March / April
Summer Fayre	June
Popcorn Night	June
Disco for the children	July

The Friends managed to raise over £4,500 in their first year after an absence of many years and are looking to build on their reserves this year. They donated £1000 to the school so that we could purchase of laptops for the children which they used throughout last year's lockdowns.

We really hope that you can join us for the AGM next week and join the very happy and successful Friends of Parkside.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Charles Soyka". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'C'.

C Soyka
Headteacher