



# FRIENDS OF THE MEAD

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Friends of the Mead have had another busy year - we started out as an almost all new committee and I personally, have found this a rewarding and exciting challenge as we work towards the FoM goal to:

- Raise funds to enhance the school environment and our children's education, over and above what the school already provide
- Bring the Mead community together outside of the classroom by delivering fun events and other creative initiatives

This year we slightly tweaked how the FoM committee is structured, with the view that it just isn't possible or sustainable for one person to solely run all events and it is with huge thanks to the year group class reps who all took on an event this year.

FoM can only run with the help of volunteers, so I just want to say a heartfelt thank you to all those who have given up their free time this year to make all these great events possible.

Moving in to 24/25, we say goodbye to Charlie as my co-chair (who has taken a full time role within the school and will be our rep on the inside) and Matt Grogan who has put in a solid 5 years as Treasurer. I plan to remain in the position of Chairperson (unless anyone else fancies a turn??), with Lucy and Lora as Deputies, Stuart as Secretary and Tom as Treasurer.

As always, we fully welcome all feedback and ideas, so please get in touch on 0785 464 3847.



### Events we have run this year

- Winter Ball
- Santa's Grotto
- Christmas Hamper Raffle
- Christmas Card Designs
- Quiz
- Movie Night
- Easter Bunny Egg Hunt
- Golf Day
- Sports Day Lawn Games
- Charity Colour Run
- Bake Sales
- Second Hand Uniform Sales

### What our funds raised have paid for:

As there have been no big ticket items we have been asked to raised money for, we have tried put on the events either for free or just above cost price to make them inclusive and accessible to all.

- Additional playground equipment
- New bike shed
- Year 6 transition day
- Living eggs project
- End of term fun days
- Sports day fun event
- Library items

### Looking to next year:

Meadfest is running on 15th Sept with limited tickets still available

We hope to bring the Christmas Fayre back this year om Sun 1st December and plan to rotate this with the Winter Ball, which will next take place in Dec 2025.

AGM takes place on the Tues 10th Sept which we would like to welcome as many as possible to.