



## Friends of Wroxton (FOW)

# FOW Newsletter

## Your PTFA needs you!

Welcome to the next round up of FOW PTFA news....

### Who are we?

Friends of Wroxton (FOW) is the PTFA group, of like-minded parents, grandparents, teachers and friends who all have a big passion to support the school.

We organise lots of different events throughout the year to fundraise. Our funds go straight towards the costly extras that enhance your child/ren's school life at Wroxton.

Please consider helping us, even if only in a small way – see page 2's "how can you help" section for information.

### What have we achieved?

Our small school really comes together to support our events. We raised over £1,000 from Christmas festivities!

Our committee has thought of many new fundraising ideas to try, alongside old favourites.

Special mention and a huge thanks to Mrs. Ruffle for her continued brilliant work as Chair!

### What are we fundraising for next?

- New outdoor play and learning equipment, which will further enhance the use of the fantastic outdoor spaces at school.

- We are also encouraging the school community to see if they can make or donate items, so we can use the funds for the larger items & equipment.

### What if I can't commit?

There is no pressure to commit to everything, as we all lead busy lives!

But if lots of people offer to help as volunteers, then the workload is spread and more of us can enjoy the great events.

### How do I find out more?

Please come to the next FOW meeting, speak to/ email Mrs. Ruffle, email the FOW address,



or speak to one of the Committee or Class Reps – names are listed on the next page.

Our email address is:

[friendsofwroxtonpta@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofwroxtonpta@gmail.com)

You can also request to join the FOW dedicated Facebook group, where we keep you up-to-date with future events and fundraising progress:

"Friends of Wroxton PTA"



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1277802972633584/>

## D-I-S-C-O

Back in November, we held the first of 2 Discos this school year. Firm local favourite **Aaron Williams Entertainer** returned to lead the fun and games, which included some conga, limbo and of course toilet rolls!

To cut down on plastic waste, we trialed different LED glow sticks, instead of the single-use

plastic glow sticks that we have previously used.



Feedback received from the earlier starting times was good,

so these timings will be the same for the Summer Disco on Friday 21st June. Get your summer party dances ready!



## Upcoming events calendar

### Wednesday 28th February

**Break the Rules Day!**

50p per rule broken.

### Wednesday 28th February

**Next FOW meeting.**

**7:30pm**, Kestrels classroom.

### Wednesday 13th March

**Rags2Riches collection.**

### Wednesday 27th March

**Easter Bingo!**

More details to follow....

### Friday 21st June

**School Summer Disco!**

Eagles & Kestrels:

3:30pm – 4:30pm

Kites & Falcons:

4:45pm – 6:00pm

### Thursday 4th July

**Rags2Riches collection.**

**TBC**

**Pre Loved Uniform Sale**

TBC at Parents' Evenings.





## How can you help?

### • Ideas!

We need lots of fundraising ideas to help our school.

All ideas will be considered!

### • Volunteering

If you can spare a little time to attend meetings or help at an event or sale, it would mean things run more smoothly.

Even if it is only once, it will mean that the same people are not doing everything. It is also fun and you get to meet new people from the school family!

Or maybe you have a particular skill set to offer?

### • Donations

Pre-loved uniforms, cakes, raffle prizes....

We have lots of events throughout the year that may require different types of donations.

Perhaps your workplace could help too?

### • Spread the word

For external events, please ask your family/friends/neighbours/ colleagues to come along and support us! Or put up posters and share on Facebook.

## Ready... Set... Bake Off!



The 3rd "Great Wroxton Bake Off" was a huge (yummy!) success in November.



An Autumn theme for the bakes showcased ghosts, bonfires, pumpkins and even a few dinosaurs, all in cake form!

Thank you to all the fantastic bakers for bringing in their creations. We raised **£150** from the Cake sale at the end of the day – another big thank you!



Well done to the 4 Star Bakers that were picked from each class and huge congratulations to our overall winner!

## My Name Tags



### Do you need to order name tags to label your children's clothes?

If you order through [www.MyNametags.com](http://www.MyNametags.com) using our school ID code **22860**, FOW will receive 24% of the money.

## Easyfundraising



### Do you shop online?

Did you know that we're registered with easyfundraising and you could help us to raise funds for the school at no extra cost to yourself?

Since our fundraising events are slowly being introduced, this is a great opportunity to keep raising much needed funds for the school. When you shop online, with over 4,100 of your favourite retailers, including John Lewis & Partners, Amazon, eBay, notonthehighstreet, you will raise FREE donations for Wroxton Primary School - Banbury.

If you're not already signed up, it only takes a few minutes, then you can begin using the easyfundraising website or app straightaway - simply shop online as normal. This will be an enormous help to the school, at no extra cost to yourself.

**Please visit our easyfundraising web page to get started:**

[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wroxtonprim/?utm\\_campaign=raise-more&utm\\_content=s-e2](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wroxtonprim/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=s-e2)



## FOW Committee and Class Reps 23/24:

Elected Committee:

FOW Chair:  
Mrs. Ruffle

FOW Secretary:  
Rachel Crofts

FOW Treasurer:  
Emma Barton

Class Representatives:

Eagles Rep: Natalie Ash  
(Heidi's mum)

Kestrels Rep: Beth Macgregor  
(Aidan's & William's mum)

Kites Rep: Claire Evans  
(Maddox' mum)

Falcons Rep: Gemma  
Rushton (Sophie's mum)

Other Committee Attendees:

Cheryl Messer  
Mrs. DiGiorno  
Rachel Daniels  
Louise Harries  
Helen Taylor  
Kerri Grant  
Marcia Yarborough

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Please come and chat to us if you have any ideas, if you would like more information, or would like to volunteer in any way.

You don't have to be on the "committee" to help us out, but we always welcome new faces at the Committee meetings!

Or please request to join our Facebook group, where we post regular PTFA news and updates:

"Friends of Wroxton PTA".



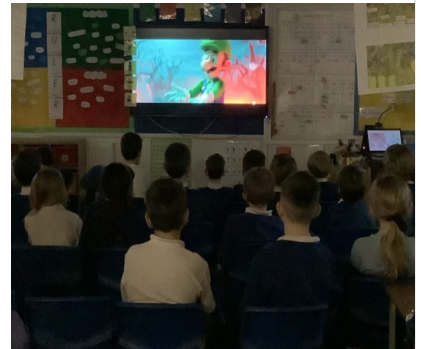
## Movies & Munchies



### Another debut event for the school: Film night!

In January, the children enjoyed watching either Sing 2 or Super Mario Bros The Movie, with a yummy snack pack.

Those watching Sing 2 looked very cosy!



## Festive fun – Christmas update

Christmas seems like a distant memory now, but we can report an 'elfy fundraising effort from our festive events....

### Christmas Cards/ gifts

We made **£91.25** commission from the sales of your children's personalised Christmas cards and gifts.

Thank you to the artists and to you, for purchasing!

### Festive Wreath Making Evening

A new idea for this school year – the lovely Anna came to Wroxton to lead a Festive Wreath Making event. All of the attendees had a wonderful evening and made some beautiful creations, as the photos show.

The event made **£100**.

A massive thank you to Anna for giving up your time for free!



### Christmas Fair

Our yearly Christmas Fair was yet another great success, with lots of stalls, food, games, crafts, festive fun and a fantastic grand Raffle.

One of those pesky Elves even got "splatted"!



Thank you to all the volunteers who helped to organise, run stalls and clear up afterwards.



Plus a huge thank you to everyone who supported the event, including many local businesses for their Raffle prize donations.

We made a tinsel-tastic **£947.50!!**



## Next Meeting: Wednesday 28th February, 7:30pm, Kestrels Classroom



**Year 6 Leavers**

Each year, FOW contribute some money to purchasing customized Hoodies for the Year 6 leavers.

The closing date for orders has now passed, so we look forward to seeing the Year 6 leavers in their lovely Hoodies soon!



**Coming soon....**

**Easter B-I-N-G-O!**

Eyes down on Wednesday 27th March.

More details to follow....

If you feel that you could donate an Easter Egg or Easter Gift, please speak to Mrs. Ruffle.



# Rule Breaking Time....

**Break the Rules!**

- Have crazy hair
- Bring in a toy from home (no electronics)
- Wear pyjamas
- Wear a football kit
- Squash in your water bottle
- Wear make up
- Bring in an unhealthy snack

**Wednesday 28th February**  
**50p for each rule broken**  
Cash payments only please

## Rags2Riches4 Schools



Our next Rags2Riches clothes, shoes and accessories collections are on the following dates:

**Wednesday 13th March**

**Thursday 4th July**

Collections take place before school.



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