

A big hello from Friends of Thurlestone School (FTS)!

Here is some info about us for those new to the school. The FTS is a registered charity (registered number 1015902) and is run on a voluntary basis by parents/guardians who wish to be involved with the school.

Our two main aims are:

1. To raise funds for additional things the school needs to support the learning and fun of our children at All Saints Thurlestone – for example activities like last year’s science fair, equipment such as the soon-to-be-installed playground, a PA system / staging / lighting or extra reading books, subsidizing school trips – basically anything that is outside of the school budget. The FTS also arrange events for the children and adults to enjoy throughout the year like school discos, Easter egg hunt, pub quiz and the Christmas and summer fairs. Some of these are fundraising events. We also fundraise by selling various merchandising items such as hoodies.

2. To nurture and support the relationship between parents/guardians, the school and the community to improve the working relationship for all, overcoming challenges and making everyone’s lives a little easier. Navigating the evolution of the school and the journey of the children in it, we forge symbiotic relationships with kindness, respect, compassion and fun at the heart.

The FTS would love to do more and can only continue with help from you! We would be delighted to welcome anyone who would be interested in being an active part of the FTS, either with one of the main core roles or to help with planning events, raising funds or developing merchandise, in whatever time capacity you have. Please come along to the AGM on Wednesday 25th September at 18.00 in the school hall, and find out how you can be involved.

Our current chairs and secretary are leaving their roles, so we are looking to fill these. We will be electing a new chair (or co-chairs) and secretary at the AGM. If you are interested in taking on one of the roles or would like more information about what is involved, please let us know via your class WhatsApp group. The current treasurer is happy to stay on but let us know if you would like to take on the role.

Joining the FTS is a great way to meet people and make friends throughout the school, and although the roles have titles, in reality we all work as a team and pitch in together as and when required. We look forward to meeting some of you at the AGM!