Katherine Warington Association of Friends (KWAF)

# NewsLetter



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## Message from the Chair

Firstly welcome to all new students, parents and carers.

I'm really proud of the achievements in the 2022-23 school year - with £5k donations to the Performing Arts department for a grand piano and drapes, and £5k to the Science department for laboratory equipment. While the targets for the upcoming year are still to be confirmed, the events planned are really exciting for KWAF. We will be starting our 5th year with a bang! First on the calendar is our Fireworks night being held on Friday 3rd November.

We would love to see you all at our events this year, either as an attendee, or a volunteer (there are lots of easy ways to help out!). Read on for further details...

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## **AGM update**

Our yearly AGM was on the 2nd October and as part of the meeting we voted in our 2023 - 2024 Committee.

We are thrilled to introduce the dedicated individuals who will be leading and supporting our Association of Friends this

Each member brings a wealth of experience, enthusiasm, and a passion for creating a positive impact in our school community. Our KWAF Committee:

Chair: Ellie Renshaw

Vice Chair: Hannah Costin Secretary: Michelle Quinn Treasurer: Judy Lane

Second-hand Uniform Co-ordinator:

Natasha Murphy

Communications Officer: Claire Toms

## Money Raised!

Thanks to you we have raised over £14000 through events and activities during 2022-23.

Some of our successful events were:

- Fireworks Night
- Festive Wreath Event
- Christmas raffle
- Open Day Fayre
- Non-uniform days
- Year 7 Disco
- Comedy Night
- Easy Fundraising





#### How to volunteer...

We couldn't make these event happen without the support of **volunteers**. If you'd like to contribute your time and skills to make our event a success, we welcome your **help** in the following ways!

#### Fireworks evening

We need volunteers to **set up** from 3pm - help run **entry** and **tickets** from 6pm - be on the **bar** - help on the **stalls** - as well as **clean up crew**. In exchange for your time you will get free entry to the fireworks and a parking space. We need over 30 volunteers to make this event even more of a success than last year. The volunteer sign up is now live.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4DA4A 92FAAFFC61-45044645-kwaf

#### Wreath evening

We need volunteers who can assist with **setting up** the workshop area and arranging materials -**crafting assistants** to guide and assist
participants during the making process (training
will be given) - be on the **bar** serving
refreshments - as well as **cleanup crew** after the
event. To volunteer...

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#### **Wreath Event**

Get ready to unleash your creativity and kick off the Christmas season in style! KWAF is thrilled to invite you to our annual Wreath Making Workshop. No prior experience necessary! Our friendly instructors will guide you every step of the way.

#### Saturday 25th November

There will be a session at 2.00–3.30pm with crafts for children and an adult session 7–8.30pm.

All proceeds go directly to KWAF and will be used to enhance the school. Keep a look out for information and tickets that will be on sale soon.

### **Our Next Goal?**

Since KWAF started we have donated over £25,000 to the school to fund the purchase of equipment.

We are currently assessing target opportunities for 2023–24, welcoming applications from teachers to bid for funding support.

Keep an eye on our facebook page for further news.

## **KWAF Vacancies**

Are you passionate about making a positive impact on your child's education and school community? We currently have vacancies on our team and are looking for enthusiastic individuals to join us in shaping the future of our school. Here are the available positions:

Assistant Treasure

Grants and Charitable Donations Officer

Raffle and Lotteries Officer

Join us in building a stronger, more vibrant school community. We look forward to having you on our team!

Your contribution, whether big or small, will be greatly appreciated!