



## Note from the Friends of Walsden PTA – October 2020

Hello to all the children, parents and carers!!

For those who are new to the school, we are the Friends of Walsden FOWS, the school's PTA group. We hold lots of different events throughout the school year and are always looking for new members to join us to help with our mission of raising funds for the school. If you would like to join us or would like some more information, please drop us an email and I will add you to our committee list: [friendswalsden@gmail.com](mailto:friendswalsden@gmail.com)

Last year we held various events including a summer fair, family fun night at the cricket club, a Christmas fair and lots of other smaller events. With the support of the school's children, staff, families and friends we raised enough money to contribute to a new minibus, playground equipment and various trips for the children.

Unfortunately we haven't been able to hold any of our larger fund raisers this year due to the lockdown we all faced. Our last meeting was held virtually on Zoom where we were planning how we can still raise funds this year within the government's safety guidelines.



Unfortunately our usual Halloween disco has been cancelled for 2020, however, FOWS have arranged a 'spooky' non-uniform themed day on **Friday 23rd October**, where we will be arranging lots of spooky fun activities with prizes to be held in class. We do ask for a

for a donation of **£1 per child** for this and also ask that **no props** be brought in with the fancy dress as we just don't have the space for broomsticks and cauldrons etc....



Throughout the summer some of you may have seen and taken part in the Positivity Community Raffle we held to win an Amazon bundle. This was a great success and we have decided to host another Raffle in the coming weeks. If you'd like to be in with a chance of winning a **Samsung Galaxy Tablet** please keep an eye on the newsletter. We will be selling tickets via the '*Friends of Walsden*' Facebook page, please take a look and 'friend' us up!! For those who don't have Facebook, we will be sending a slip home in all book bags next week where you will be able to state how many tickets you would like to buy and how to make the payment to us. Tickets will be £2 each and the raffle will be drawn on the 23<sup>rd</sup> October!



Thank you again to everyone for your continued support with these events and we hope all the children have now settled into school really well.

The Friends of Walsden School