

FRIENDS OF BECCLES FREE SCHOOL

Newsletter

May/June 2017



The "Friends" is a group of parents / carers who organise regular social and fundraising events throughout the year to support and raise money for the school. Everyone associated with Beccles Free School is regarded as a Friend, so please feel free to come along to any of our meetings without obligation. We would love to see you, and there is coffee and cake!

50:50 Winner!

May's winner was:
D. Parsons

CCF Car Wash

On Wednesday 5 July, the Beccles Free School Combined Cadet Force cadets will be washing cars during their afternoon enrichment session. We will be asking for a donation of £5 per car (or whatever you feel the service deserves!) and this will go towards our Outdoor Sports Court Development.

Please feel free to contact me
fmcAlindon@becclesfreeschool.org.uk to book a slot, or drive over before the end of the school day and take your chance! Bookings taken from 2pm

Friends of BFS Committee

We have a new committee! Here is the list of positions and the lovely Friends who have stepped up to the plate and who really didn't have to have their arms twisted hardly at all.

Chair: Felicity McAlindon
Vice-Chair: Ruth Hubbard
Secretary: Claire Jackson
Vice-Secretary: Helen Gartley
Treasurer: Deborah Smith
Vice-Treasurer: Sharon High

This committee will now meet on a regular basis to organise and arrange events. There will be more posts put on to our school Facebook page to keep you in touch. An AGM will be organised for the beginning of the next academic year in September 2017 and everyone will be welcome. There will then be open meetings for anyone to attend once a term.

Library Rota

June

Wednesday 21st - Amanda Thursday 22nd - Felicity
Friday 23rd - Claire

Monday 26th - Volunteer Needed

Tuesday 27th - Helen Wednesday 28th - Amanda
Thursday 29th - Felicity Friday 30th - Sarah

July

Monday 3rd - Volunteer Needed

Tuesday 4th - Deborah Wednesday 5th - Amanda
Thursday 6th - Felicity Friday 7th - Claire

Monday 10th - Sharron Tuesday 11th - Helen
Wednesday 12th - Amanda

Thursday 13th and Friday 14th - Volunteers Needed

Monday 17th - Volunteer Needed
Tuesday 18th - Deborah Wednesday 19th - Amanda

Thursday 20th - Volunteer Needed

Friday 21st - Claire

Summer Showcase

Tuesday 11 July
6.30pm - 8pm

Shannon Nautilus-Simpson, whose daughter Rose-May in Y8 is a regular very talented performer in the school showcases, is supporting the school Creative Arts Department in the running of this event. If you can give your time during the evening, or with the preparation prior to the event, then please leave your details with the school office, or through Rose-May. Any volunteers do not pay for their tickets to the event. This is a great evening of entertainment by our fabulous Beccles Free School students, with nibbles and great company. Do come along and watch, even if you don't have children performing. Ticket £3 adult, £1.50 child either in advance or on the door.

Library

We have been able to make two more new students librarians. Jessica Haddock and Ruby Winter have shown dedication during a trial period and are now able to take on regular duties along with the other librarians. Well done! The more librarians the merrier. Any student is able to come and sign up as a trial librarian and be shown what to do.

We are asking for all overdue books to be back in the library for 3 July 2017. If there are no outstanding books at this time, then please **borrow up to 5 books for summer reading**.

We are always after adult volunteers to support the running of our school library. If you are able to dedicate at least one lunchtime a month, then please contact Felicity - Fmcalindon@becclesfreeschool.org.uk. Volunteer Friend Librarians usually come for lunch first at 12.45pm (not requisite!) and then open the library and support the student librarians. All training will be given!

Second Hand Uniform

A huge plea for all surplus school uniform. If it is in tip top condition then do consider selling it through us for a 50:50 share; 50% sale price goes to you, 50% to Friends of Beccles Free School. You can of course donate your uniform, in which case all proceeds will go to Friends of Beccles Free School. If you would like to take up the 50:50 scheme then please leave your uniform, on hangers, with details of your name and contact number pinned to each item of clothing at the school office.

Sports Day

This is to be held on Friday 7 July from 2pm. Please come along and cheer the students on. There will be refreshments, including ice creams, available for purchase on the day. All proceeds to go towards our Outdoor Sports Court Development. If you would like to volunteer to help on the day, then please contact Deborah Smith either through the school office, or via her daughter Eve in Y8.

Transition Week

Friends will be selling school uniform throughout the Transition events held by the school. Do pop along between 3.30pm - 4.30pm Monday 17- Friday 21 July if you would like to have a browse. If anyone would like to come and support the games that Friends will be offering at the transitional BBQ on Tuesday 27 June 4pm-5pm, then Helen Gartley would love to hear from you! Please contact her through the school office, or through her son Eathan in Y8.



New Trophy Cabinets

Friends of BFS have recently purchased two trophy cabinets for our ever growing collection of awards.



Outdoor Sports Court Development

Friends of Beccles Free School are launching a dedicated fund-raising drive to support the development of our sports facilities. Planning is already underway to completely overhaul the outside courts area.

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 3 July All overdue books to be back to the library

Tuesday 4 July 2pm-3pm Friends Meeting

Wednesday 5 July from 2pm CCF Carwash in aid of Outdoor Sports Court Development

Friday 7 July 2pm Sports Day

Tuesday 11 July Summer Showcase

SAXMUNDHAM FREE SCHOOL'S

Family Fun Day and Dog Show



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FREE SCHOOL



Saturday 24 June 2017
11am - 3pm



Saxmundham Free School, Seaman Avenue, Suffolk, IP17 1DZ

- ★ Inflatable Assault Course
 - ★ Archery
 - ★ Live Music
 - ★ Welly Wanging
 - ★ Wet Sponge Throwing
 - ★ Beat The 'Keeper
 - ★ Judo Demonstrations
 - ★ Tennis
 - ★ Bouncy Castle
 - ★ Face Painting
 - ★ Vintage Tractors
 - ★ Craft Stalls
 - ★ Coconut Shy
 - ★ Plus Much More!
- BBQ and Refreshments and...

...A Fun Dog Show

Entries taken on the day - £1 per class

Dog Show opens at 11am Judging begins at 12pm

Classes to enter...

- 🐾 Handsomest Dog 🐾 Prettiest Bitch
- 🐾 Best Mover 🐾 Happy Families (Dogs & Children)
- 🐾 Best Condition 🐾 Waggiest Tail
- 🐾 Best Sausage Catcher

And then a short break before... 🐾 FANCY DRESS!

All First Prize winners compete for Best in Show
Lots of Prizes and Rosettes to be won



Make an afternoon of it and bring your own chairs if you wish