

# FOCKSA In The Loop

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FOCKSA

the FRIENDS of  
CHARLES KINGSLEY'S  
SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 269650

## Meet the team



Welcome to the first edition of In the Loop, our gateway to keep you informed of all things FOCKSA (Friends of Charles Kingsley's School Association).

### The team

**Chair-** Shannon Swaffer – (children in Y1)

**Vice-chair-** Leona Bennetts (Y1)

**Treasurer-** Jacqui Joyce (Y4)

**Secretary-** Ed Dixon (YR & 2)

Claire Baker (Y6)

Belinda Rushton (Y4 & 6)

Paddy Halfhide (Y2)

Louise Storey (YR & 2)

Julie Aylen (Y2)

Denise Tucker (YR, 3 & 5)

Miranda Frary-Smith (Y1 & 3)

Jo Kynoch (YR)

**Staff Rep** Alix Griffiths

**Governor Rep** Suzanne Craddock (Y1)

**Who are we!** A group of parents and staff working together to come up with ways to raise funds for resources that benefit our children's development and time at Charles Kingsley's School.

## Thank you

Last year FOCKSA raised £11,282 through a number of well established events (all money was raised by both the parents and children of CKS).

Money from these events went towards;

- 32 new laptops used by the children;
  - Playground equipment;
  - School transport costs to various events/activities;
  - M&M productions (last year this was Peter Pan);
  - Learning Through Action – fun day of hands on experiences, living life as a Roman and a World War 2 evacuee for example; and
  - Listen to Me Music Programme into KS1.
- Without your help and support the above would not have happened.



## Upcoming FOCKSA events

Cassatt & Lowry Drinks & nibbles - The Chequers - 7pm	18 <sup>th</sup> October
 Bring a bottle non-uniform day	8 <sup>th</sup> November
Christmas Fair	7 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Lunch VIP guest with gifts	TBC December
School Disco	7 <sup>th</sup> February
Quiz and Curry Night	TBC
Summer Fair	5 <sup>th</sup> July

## It's Your FOCKSA

Every parent within the school is automatically a member of FOCKSA, it's through your help and support, no matter how big or small that we exist.

We know that parents are busy with home life, work, and other responsibilities. We'd love to see you at FOCKSA meetings but we know that sometimes other plans get in the way, so this year we're working on ways for working parents or parents who can't make the meetings to help out with FOCKSA and with the school.

There are numerous ways in which you can help and some will only take up a few hours of your time. You can help as much or as little as you like. There is no obligation, you have the choice!

Just some of the ways you can help;

- bake a cake for the Christmas fair;
- help man one of the stalls during the Christmas/summer fair;
- bring a bottle for non-uniform day;
- get a team together for the quiz and curry night; or
- your attendance at one of the many events.

It's a great way to meet others, have a laugh and spend time with your kids.

## Contact

If you want to learn more about FOCKSA and our role, or to suggest fund raising ideas or even to offer support at one of the events, we would very much like to hear from you.

You can get in touch by

- email: [focksaeversley@gmail.com](mailto:focksaeversley@gmail.com)
- a letter or note drop into the FOCKSA letter box located in the school reception
- join our facebook page [www.facebook.com/focksaeversley](http://www.facebook.com/focksaeversley)
- or by grabbing one of us in the playground before or at the end of school, there are a few of us about.

## Start fund raising at home

Spend and Raise! Do you shop online? Did you know that every time you buy something you could be raising money for FOCKSA?

It's true – 1000's of well known retailers including Amazon, M&S, Boden, Waitrose, House of Fraser and many more, will donate a percentage of what you spend to FOCKSA when you shop with them, via fundraising website [www.spendandraise.com/foкса](http://www.spendandraise.com/foкса)

So instead of going directly to a retailer's website, go to [www.spendandraise.com/foкса](http://www.spendandraise.com/foкса) first and choose the retailer you want to shop with – then everything you spend with that retailer earns a free donation for FOCKSA.

It's free to use and your shopping won't cost you a penny more than if you went direct to that retailer. On average, each retailer will donate 5% of the cost of your shopping – and the donations soon mount up.

Total raised to date £864.14

If you have anything to say or advertise we are happy to include in the newsletter at £1 per paragraph / ad.

Please email any enquiries to [focksaeversley@gmail.com](mailto:focksaeversley@gmail.com)