

Welcome to the HPFA newsletter!

The HPFA is a charitable organisation set up to help raise funds for the benefit of Highlands School pupils. It aims to do this by running fundraising and social activities throughout the year. In the past, the HPFA has helped fund the school minibuses, the sixth form area and the wellbeing area.

There is much more the school would like to do!
Support the HPFA, support your school!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

HPFA Meeting Dates

12 October 2023 - AGM
9 November 2023
14 December 2023
11 January 2024
8 February 2024
14 March 2024
9 May 2024
13 June 2024
11 July 2024

All parents/carers are welcome to attend. We usually meet at 6:30-7:30pm, in person at the school or via zoom. We send out an agenda in advance via email.



TARGET: £10,000

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Details of our AGM and re-elections

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WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Can you donate or sponsor a prize?

We always need high quality prizes to raffle at our fundraising events such as wine, food stuffs for hampers, vouchers for shops or experiences or cash prizes.

Please get in touch if you can donate or sponsor a prize.

Contact us by email at HPFA.eventtickets@gmail.com



PLANS FOR THE YEAR AHEAD!

AGM - 12 OCTOBER 2023

The HPFA elects annually from its membership the following roles:

- Chair
- Vice chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Co-treasurer
- Publicity/Media officer

All current Committee members will stand down at the AGM and seek re-election.

However, we also invite new Committee members to nominate themselves in advance of the AGM if interested in doing so. **In particular, we would welcome a joint publicity officer and joint chair.**

In order to elect Committee members, there will need to be sufficient numbers of votes. Please do come along to this important meeting so that existing or new committee members can be elected!

To nominate yourself for any role, please email HPFAeventtickets@gmail.com. Please include the position you would like to run for and a short description of your skills relevant to the role and your connection to the school.

Social events

We are planning to hold the following events this academic year:

- **Musical Bingo for all the family (November)**
- **Christmas/Festive Raffle**
- **Easter/Spring Raffle**
- **Summer BBQ for current year 7's and future year 7's**

The HPFA has previously held a **musical bingo night**, hosted by the fabulous Ms Brown, which was a great success and we hope to do the same again. Please keep your eye out in the school newsletters for more details.

HPFA SURVEY

We would like to know what you would like to see the HPFA doing more of or less of! We are open to your suggestions and ideas. Please complete this short, anonymous survey: [Click here](#)

**THANK
YOU!**

Your HPFA officers are:

Chair: Crystal Elkabbas

Vice Chair: Karen Crawley

Secretary: Felicia Ekemezuma

Treasurer: Valentina Csaki

Co-Treasurer: Siobhan Sweeney

Publicity: Vanessa Mead

The HPFA can be contacted by email at

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We have a few parent helpers who volunteer to help organise and assist us at HPFA and school events. We could always do with some more helpers, so please if you are able to help on occasion, with a particular task or event, do get in touch. If you have any fundraising ideas, we would love to hear from you too!

Below are some easy ways you may be able to help raise funds for the school. For further information about any of these methods, please feel free to get in touch with us:

EASY FUNDRAISING

Sign up to: www.easyfundraising.org.uk, select Highlands School as your chosen cause and the brands you shop with will donate a % to the school at no additional cost to you.

MATCH FUNDING

Many corporate **employers** such as banks, insurers, large supermarkets etc have a **match funding policy** and may match funds raised by the HPFA at its events.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION

You can make a voluntary contribution to the HPFA either on a regular or one-off basis.