# CORNBANK SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP NEWSLETTER

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## **Contact Us**

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#### **Partnership Diary Dates:**

Partnership Meeting-Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 6:30pm

P3 Assembly Coffee Den- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October

P4J Assembly Coffee Den- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Partnership Meeting- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 6:30pm

## **Welcome**

Hello and welcome to our Autumn newsletter. Firstly, we would like to thank everyone for all the wonderful support we received last school year. It was lovely after a few quiet years during the pandemic to have a whole year where we were able to hold regular events. We are looking forward to planning lots of fun things for the year ahead. Details of what we raised and funded last year can be found at the bottom of this newsletter.

#### **Coffee Den Dates**

We will be supporting class assemblies by hosting coffee dens in the dining hall after school drop off. Entry by main reception door. Tea, coffee, juice and biscuits available. Donations appreciated; we can now accept card/contactless payments. Dates in the box to the left,

# Fun On The Field 2023

On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> of June, we hosted our annual summer event, Fun On The Field. The event was a huge success, raising

£3212.80. We even managed to get some glorious sunshine. We hope you enjoyed the evening. We would like to extend a further thanks to everyone that supported the event from volunteers, staff, vendors and all participants. As planning for next years event is already underway, please do not hesitate to email us to share ideas or feedback. We aim to make all events enjoyable and accessible to all.

# **Welcome Back Raffle**

Our belated summer raffle was a huge success, raising £980. Thank you to everyone that bought tickets and to all the wonderful businesses that donated prizes. Well done to the lucky winners, we hope you enjoy your prizes.

## **First Meeting and AGM**

Our first partnership meeting of the school year, and our AGM, was held on September 4<sup>th</sup>. We are delighted to announce that Lucy Brown and Fiona Neill were elected as co-chairs and that Susan Cochrane-Brown continues to be our treasurer. As we have co-chairs, the committee voted to not elect a secretary at present. With that in mind, we would like to say thanks to Lyn Young for all her hard work as secretary over the past few years. Lyn remains an active committee member.

We also welcomed 3 new committee members: Gem Barrett, Vikki Lyon and Meghan Brady-McDonald. They join our existing committee of Claire Muir, Jan Harding, Lindsey McDonald, Sylvia Hamilton, Yvonne Scott, Laura Wilson, Nicola McEwan and Joni Ewing.

The meeting had a large focus on future projects as well as fundraising initiatives to support this. We will be consulting with staff and students about a larger scale project, such as an outdoor classroom or playground improvements, in the coming months. Details of a sub-committee for the planning and funding of such a big project will be shared on our social media channels.

The partnership is going to continue to support school trips this year and, as a thank you for the support at last years Friendship Disco, we have allocated a budget to each class for the purchase of new equipment with a focus on playground equipment in particular. We look forward to seeing what they choose to buy.

The minutes of all meetings are published shortly after meetings on the Cornbank School Partnership section of the school website.

## **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the school partnership will be held on October 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the school staff room. All members of our school community are invited to attend. The meetings are a great way to hear about what's been going on in school and to hear about upcoming plans for the partnership. If you have any items for the agenda please email them to the email address at the top of this newsletter.

# We Need You

We are always grateful to receive support from members of the school community. If you have a particular skill that you'd like to volunteer up, please contact us by email at the address posted above. Are you a keen gardener that could help with playground projects? Or do you have a trade that can support in future construction projects? Are you an expert event planner, talented crafter or experienced caterer? All help would be gratefully received.

We are also keen to hear from anyone that works for a business that offers support to non-profit organisations- does your workplace offer match funding, charity grants or volunteering days? Please get in touch if you can help in any way.

Thanks for reading, please see below for details of fundraising and spending last year. We hope that 2023-24 will be as successful (or hopefully even more).



