



# Friends of Upper Wharfedale School

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Dear All

A very warm welcome to Friends of Upper Wharfedale School.

Our aim is to help the school to provide additional equipment and resources, which the school budget will not often stretch to, in order to enhance the education of our children.

The activities and events which we organise help to improve links between parents/carers, children and the school staff to encourage a team spirit to work towards a common goal.

As Upper Wharfedale is a small school, we feel we need an “all hands on deck” approach to help our children receive the best education possible. The Committee is well supported by staff and parents alike and we have input from the Student Leadership Team who often attend meetings to share ideas from a student perspective.

I am proud to say that “Friends” are very well supported by the local community. Shops and businesses are very generous in their donations of raffle prizes and are always willing to help with the promotion of our fundraising events.

Over the last year we have contributed to The Big Dig, provided transport to the F1 in Schools competition and the Year 7 trip to Bradford, subscription to a linguascope website to assist pupils both within school and at home and perhaps our biggest purchase this year was IT equipment funded by our very successful Casino Night.

## **Our Committee is made up of:**

Chair: Helen McCartan

Vice Chair: Andrew Taylor / Sally Sumner and a Student Leadership Team Member.

Secretary: Penny Allen.

Treasurer: Alison Hesletine.

100 Club: Claire Oakes and Helen Barugh.

Members: Helen Carlisle, Victoria Benn, Lyn Picton.

We meet on the second Monday of the month in the school library from 6 pm – please do feel free to pop along to hear in more detail about what we do. We would love to hear your suggestions. If you can't make the meetings but would like to help in other ways by baking, helping out at events, please fill out the slip at the end of this letter and return it to school. If your employer supports any Match Funding, please see our website [www.uws.n-yorks.sch.uk](http://www.uws.n-yorks.sch.uk) and click on Friends” for more information – this is an easy way of fundraising without too much effort! Please also see attached

details of our 100 Club another easy way to support us. Friend us on Facebook – “Friends of Upper Wharfedale School” this way we can get information out quickly.

Please do pop along to say hello, we would love to meet you!

Kindest Regards,

*Helen*

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If you would like to help the Friends of Upper Wharfedale School, either by getting involved at committee level or by helping at events please complete the form below and return to the school office FAO “Friends”

Name..... Telephone Number.....

Email Address.....

Childs Name / Year.....