# FoSH Autumn Newsletter

The FoSH team have lots planned for the term and year ahead that we would like to update you on...

## **Charity of the Year!**

The committee, in conjunction with the school, have decided that this year we will choose a particular charity to be our "Charity of the Year". 50% of funds raised will go to FoSH to buy items for the school and 50% will go to our charity partner. The school council voted from a choice of 3 local charities and we are thrilled to announce that our charity partner for 2022/23 is....



#### **KEECH HOSPICE CARE CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

https://www.keech.org.uk/childrens-services/

Keech provides specialist care for children with life-limiting illnesses from across Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire and Milton Keynes. Their care is provided not just at the hospice but in the hospital, school or family home - wherever support is needed the most. Keech is a positive place and communication about Keech with the St Hilda's pupils will be focussed on positivity; how it helps support poorly children not only through providing care but also by bringing joy and fun though music, play and crafts as well as use of their hydrotherapy pool and sensory play room.

We are aiming to raise £10,000 this year and need your help to do it!

# **Friday treats**

Our Friday Treats stall is an excellent, consistent fundraiser that we are thrilled to be running once again this year. Thank you so much in advance to the volunteers who take turns to man the stall and to everyone for providing and buying treats.



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#### **Second Hand Uniform**

The online shop is open for your uniform needs. Place your order online and you will be notified when it is available to collect from the office. There is the option to swap or return items if they aren't suitable. <a href="https://sthildasfoshunifor.wixsite.com/my-site/shop">https://sthildasfoshunifor.wixsite.com/my-site/shop</a>

Donations are needed to ensure we have a plentiful supply of stock. They can be dropped into the office at any point. All money raised by the second hand uniform shop will be split 50/50 between FoSH and Keech Children's Hospice so please do donate any uniform you no longer need.

## Christmas is coming....

**Christmas jumpers** - we will be asking for donations of your old (but clean!) Christmas jumpers after half term and will be selling them alongside Friday treats in November.

Christmas Bazaar - Saturday 26th November from 12pm- 3.30pm Everyone's favourite festive extravaganza the St Hilda's Christmas Bazaar is back! Each form will run a stall. Your rep will be in touch with more details in the next few weeks.

## Christmas panto - Friday 16th December at 10.30am

We have secured tickets at a discounted rate (oh yes we have) for the St Albans Panto Jack and the Beanstalk. Booking details to follow shortly.

Thank you for all of your support.

The 2022/23 FoSH Officers Wendy, Gemma and Suzanne

Thank you!





#### Have you signed up to easyfundraising yet?

easyfundraising is a great way to raise money for FoSH in these challenging times. Signing up to and using easyfundraising is the easiest way to help FoSH, all from the comfort of your own home and at no cost to you.

You can raise FREE donations for FoSH when you shop online with over 4,300 retailers. Plus, once you've raised your first £5, easyfundraising will match it.

For more information and to sign up, go to:

# https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/foshs/

Then, everytime you shop online, use either easyfundraising on your computer or shop via the app and they will do the rest! You can even set up a reminder so you don't forget to shop via easyfundraising. It's that simple!

If you have already registered, then thank you. If you haven't used easyfundraising in a while, then why not visit the website and set up a donation reminder before you start your Christmas shopping!



