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Family and Friends of Alfriston School Term 4 - Newsletter

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WELCOME BACK TO TERM 4 AND TO THE LAST EDITION OF THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS NEWSLETTER FOR 2024!

Here we are in the final term of the year and what a year it has been! The Family and Friends group thought this would be a great opportunity to share with you everything we have achieved together as a community. We are so grateful for all the support everyone at Alfriston School has shown by contributing in one way or another to the Fundraisers we have put together this year.

We still have a few exciting things to come this term before we sign off for the 2024 year and get ready for the 2025 year. These can be seen below. Our goal is and always has been 'The learners'. Everything the Family and Friends encompasses has them at the forefront. Whatever we fundraise for goes back into the learners 100%. Below is a list of things we have been fundraising for so you can see where all your contributions have gone to or are going towards.

A reminder of what we are working towards this year!

Electronic sign- Out the front of the school where the current sign is
 Skirts for our Kapa Haka group
 Sandpit-large size
 More picnic tables
 Umbrellas
 Reading Nook
 Enrichment Classes- Resources for the class
 Sports Equipment
 Library Dividers
 Speaker system for events such as swimming and Cross Country

IMPORTANT DATES

Family and Friends
Meetings

Term 4

Last meeting of the year:

Friday 13th December, 8:15am in the Staffroom

Second Hand Uniforms
are available from the
Boiler Shed.
(Behind the Alfriston
Community Hall, adjacent
to the school)
Every first Wednesday of
the month from 2:30 3.00 pm.

Opening dates:

TERM 4

Wednesday 6th
November
Wednesday 4th
December

We welcome any donations of used uniforms that you no longer require.

Family and Friends
Contact:

Here is a breakdown of what we have achieved together so far!

EVENT	Amount raised:
Hamper Raffle	\$5913
Hot Chips	\$1150
Ice Blocks	\$1400
Disco	\$2663
Doughnut Day- Term 2	\$780
Doughnut Day- Term 4	\$388
Movie Night- Term 3	\$1261
Pies	\$750
Second hand Uniform sales to date- 1/11/24	\$1680
Total so far:	\$15,983.75 Our goal for 2024 is \$20,000

<u>Term 4 Events</u>		
<u>Event</u>	Information/Dates etc	
<u>Powhiri</u>	On Tuesday the 5th November we had our last Powhiri for the 2024 year.	
To welcome new students and families.	This is the way Alfriston School welcomes all new learners and their families to our amazing school. It's an opportunity for current students, staff and families to be involved in the welcoming process to show the new learners the tight knit community we have here at our school. Our school vision is a perfect example of the community we have here at Alfriston School, "A community of learners supporting each other to ensure everyone reaches their full potential". A big thank you to the Family and Friends parents who helped serve the Kai after the Powhiri and all those parents who provided plates of food. Sharing of the Kai after a Powhiri is very important as it's the final binding of the Powhiri process and represents hospitality and respect for the visitors and also creates a sense of community.	
Tea Towel Fundraiser	This term we have a brand new fundraiser which is just in time for those last minute gifts you may need for the upcoming holiday season or as a memento keepsake for 2024. The family and Friends decided upon Tea Towels!!!!!!! Now these aren't just your regular Tea Towels, they are Tea Towels that are designed by your children. Each team (Tupu Tahi, Whanaungatanga and Kotahitanga)	

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will design a tea towel. The design will be meaningful to that team and each child will contribute towards it.

Tea towels will be available for presale on KINDO and will be \$12 each, \$20 for two and \$8 for any there after.. The designs are not available to be viewed as of yet and more information about the tea towels themselves and when pre-sales start, will be made known before the end of the week. Look out for this special item as you don't want to miss out!

Fun Run- Not a Fundraiser just a fun day for the learners



The Fun Run Event is back for another year!!!!!! Last year the Family and Friends ran it as a fundraiser. This year we have decided for this not to be a fundraiser, rather a day for Fun to end the year instead.

On December 17th each class will participate in the Fun Run Event that will include an obstacle course designed by Kelly Sport, a larger and more challenging inflatable obstacle course and of course a sprinkler run to cool us off as we race around the course. We are also super lucky to have Kelly Sport helping us out for the whole day. There will be KINDO and some cash sales on the day for Ice creams, water, juice, chips, chocolate bars and a sausage sizzle. More information about this event is yet to come so stay tuned!!!!

Family and Friends Survey Results



At the end of Term 3 the Family and Friends sent out a survey to all parents of the school to complete. The survey contained general questions around the Family and Friends group, days you are available to help with events/fundraisers we may have or if you would like to become part of our team.

Thank you to the 23 families that took the time to complete the survey and for your feedback. It was great to see that some new people would like to join our awesome group to support all the learners in our school. At our next meeting we will discuss our goals, meeting dates and event dates for the 2025 year. It would be great to see some new faces at this meeting.

How can you help this term?

If you can assist with any of the following events we have planned for this term we would be very grateful. Please get in touch with Mrs Atherton jatherton@alfriston.school.nz

<u>Fun Run-</u>We will need parent help for selling food items, cooking sausages and distributing food to classrooms. We also will need parents who can supervise the learners on the inflatables, obstacle course and general supervision.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

We are in need of donations of school uniforms that are now surplus to your requirements. If you have any items that you no longer require then please hand them into the office or to Mrs Atherton in Room 4. We would be very appreciative of these items for our shop.

Please also don't forget to visit the shop on the days it is open throughout the school

terms. The dates for this can be found on the right hand column of this newsletter. It's a great way to get uniform items at a fraction of the cost.

OUR NEXT MEETING IS THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER AT 8:15AM IN THE STAFFROOM!
PLEASE COME ALONG AND SEE WHAT WE ARE ALL ABOUT!

Come to a meeting!

All parents are warmly invited and encouraged to be part of the Friends and Family of Alfriston School group. We are always looking for more support and it's a great way for you to meet new people and to stay informed and connected with school happenings. Meetings are held twice a term and your involvement and support is valued, no matter how big or small. You can attend in person or on Zoom. If you require the zoom link for a particular meeting then please feel free to email Mrs Atherton on the email below and she will send it to you prior to the meeting. If you cannot attend meetings and you're willing to help out 'on the day' of an event, we welcome the extra hands! If you are able to help with anything it would like more information, then please contact Jessica Atherton at jatherton@alfriston.school.nz



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