

# Friends of Montpelier High School



# NEWSLETTER

**SEPTEMBER 2024**

A warm welcome back to the new school year 24/25 and a very special welcome to those who have just joined the E-Act Montpelier High School family!

## **What is the Friends of Montpelier High School?**

The Friends of MHS brings together parents/carers and staff to discuss how best we can enrich the education for the students of Montpelier High School and V6. We play an important role in supporting and strengthening our community of students, parents/carers and staff.

## **What do we do?**

We organise fundraising activities for the school, such as the annual Summer Fair and Winter Hamper Competition, as well as providing refreshments for Music Concerts and School Plays. We also manage the second-hand uniform shop which we open termly and at the Summer Fair. We also run a support fund to help other parents financially, which you can donate to on Parent Pay under the heading Support Fund. You can also sign up to [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) when shopping online and we get a percentage of what you spend at no cost to you!

## **How can you help?**

We are currently a small group of parents and are very keen to add to our numbers, so if you are interested in helping us, please contact us at [mhs-parentsassoc@mhs.e-act.org.uk](mailto:mhs-parentsassoc@mhs.e-act.org.uk) or through our facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CGSPTA/> or join us for one of our meetings, which are generally held online, termly, at 7:30pm on Wednesday evenings - see dates below.

Our next **AGM** is on Wednesday 13th November and will be held at school at 7:30pm. We are currently looking for a **Treasurer** (please see job spec below) and someone to take over **running the second hand uniform sales**, so please do come and join us for drinks and nibbles to find out more!

## Dates for your diary:

AGM - Wednesday 13th November 2024

Summer fair - Saturday 21st June 2025

## Provisional Friends termly meetings 24/25 at 7:30pm:

18th September 2024

13th November 2024 - AGM

15th January 2025

5th March 2025

23rd April 2025

4th June 2025



## Role of Treasurer

Are you keen to contribute to your child's school experience? Are you confident handling money and budgets, and good with numbers? You could be our next treasurer!

The Parent Teacher Association, Friends of MHS, meets virtually **once a term** to vote on how funds are spent and brainstorm ways to fundraise further. As the treasurer, you'll action payments to the committee so that we spend those funds on things that don't come out of the school budget. Things like helping fund school trips, leavers jumpers, outdoor furniture and games and board games for the library. You will also prepare cash floats for the summer fair and produce finance reports for the termly meetings. It really is a relatively simple job and not particularly time consuming.

**Without a treasurer the Friends will have to fold, which would be a real shame for the school and its students, so please contact us on [mhs-parentsassoc@mhs.e-act.org.uk](mailto:mhs-parentsassoc@mhs.e-act.org.uk) if you can help us.**