

## Friends of Windlesham

#### **Dear Windlesham Family**

We would like to thank everyone who attended our AGM this week. It was really encouraging to see so many new faces and to have the continued help and support of many of you that have been with us from the start so a massive heartfelt thank you for that. A copy of the presentation is attached, explaining who we are, what we do and a recap of all the wonderful events we have held this past academic year. I am extremely proud of what has been achieved, the funds that have been raised and the support we are able to give to school projects and local charities.

Many of you will know this has been my last year at Windlesham (my daughter Millie is in year 8) and sadly that means I must step down as Chair. We joined the Windlesham family when Millie was in year 3 and I was instantly drawn to supporting the school and becoming part of the team. I have now enjoyed 5 years of doing so and shall be very proud to leave Windlesham in the great hands of the new and existing committee members. I would also like to mention, Kate Cummings who has been Treasurer for us for the same period of time and an integral part of the committee. Kate will also be stepping down as Treasurer but will remain on the committee and as a Year Rep for year 6. I have loved working with Kate and shall miss that a great deal but I would personally like to thank her for her tireless efforts in supporting the team. Also stepping down this year will be Rowland Watkins (in year 8) and Alice Farrer (years 5 & 7) who will remain as a parent helper and I know will continue to help and support the Friends of Windlesham as she has done so for many years now. Thank you to both of you for everything you have contributed over the years.

Taking over from me as Chair will be Claire McLaughlin (Years 3 & 4) and I could not think of anyone better to be doing so. Claire joined us on this journey around the same time and has contributed a great deal to everything we have done as a team and is absolutely best placed for this role. I would like to thank Claire for everything so far and to truly wish her the best of luck going forward. We also had five new wonderful parents join the committee at the AGM and I would like to welcome them with open arms to the team. The following new roles and positions have been filled for the next academic year:

#### **Your Committee**

Chair - Claire McLaughlin (Years 3 & 4)

**Deputy Chair** – Eliza Wylie (Years 2 & 5)

**Treasurer** – Mandy Tulley (Year 5)

Secretary – Francesca Argyle (Year 1)

Social Media / Website Lead – Georgie Brittan (Year 4) and Septtie Jacot (Year 2)

### **Other Committee Members**

Alex Evans (Year 6)

Kate Cummings (Years 5 & 7)

Jo Donovan (Years 2 & 7)

Claire Morris (Reception & Year 3)



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Rola Khoury (Years 3 & 7)

Anabelle Ripley (Reception & Year 2)

Sarah Dawes (Years 5 & 8)

Emily Yu (Years 3 & 5)

Fini Orji (Year 6)

Justine Van Eeden (Reception)

The Year Reps for the next academic year were also agreed and discussed, please see as follows:

Reception - TBC

**Year 1** – Claire Morris & Anabelle Ripley

Year 2 - Francesca Argyle

**Year 3** – Eliza Wylie & Septtie Jacot

Year 4 - Claire McLaughlin & Emily Yu

**Year 5** – Georgie Brittan

Year 6 - Kate Cummings & Mandy Tulley

Year 7 - Polly Rowsell & Migle Kuolaite-Jurgelioniene

Year 8 - Jo Donovan & Rola Khoury

We would ideally love to have two representatives per year group so if you would be interested in taking on that role for Reception, Year 2 or Year 5 please do get in touch. There will be further communication coming out from the team shortly on all of this. I wish each and everyone of you the best of luck in your new roles.

This just leaves me to say an emotional goodbye and to thank everyone that has supported us over the years. It still blows me away the time and effort that people willingly give to create these amazing events and to give back to the Windlesham community. I shall miss that a great deal but I look forward to attending future events and I am excited about the year ahead for the new team and what will be achieved. I hope you all have a wonderful Summer.

**Best Wishes** 

Becky Meaker

Former Chair for Friends of Windlesham