



# Friends

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## Who Are Friends and What Do We Do?

Bishop Justus Friends is the school's fundraising committee, whose aim is to raise funds for the school and enhance its reputation. The Committee is made up of 10 Trustees (who all have children at the school) and a school representative and we ensure that all funds raised go on to benefit the whole school and provide added value to and enrich what Bishop Justus already has to offer.

The two ways in which we raise funds are by managing the school's Voluntary Contributions Fund and by holding Fundraising Events.

**The Voluntary Contributions Fund** is a major source of the income we raise and is explained in further detail in a separate letter.

**Friends Fundraising Events** are held throughout the year, and include events for students, such as the Year 7 & 8 Disco (held every December) and events for you and your family and friends to enjoy, such as Quiz and Bingo Nights, BBQ, Founders Day Ball and Bishop Justus Golf Day.

All money raised is used to fund a variety of extra items or services that the school would not otherwise be able to purchase; recent purchases include a contribution towards the set-up of the new Sports Café, a mobile sound system, two catering trolleys for the students to tidy away their own lunch trays, 220 new Hymn Books, outdoor tennis tables as well as numerous smaller purchases such as MP4 players, a greenhouse for the wetlands area, mini trampoline for the Sports Hall, science equipment, a marimba for the music department and much more.

We hope this gives you an idea of the work Friends carries out on behalf of the school and all of its students.

## How Can I Help Support Friends and the School?

### **Set up a regular monthly contribution!**

The Voluntary Contribution Fund allows you to make a regular monthly contribution by standing order and is a major source of the income we raise. Although we are an academy, in today's economic climate most schools rely on these additional funds to support the students and their learning. Please see the attached letter for details on how to pay contributions.

### **Make a one-off donation!**

You can make an additional donation at any time throughout the year – all donations are welcome, however big or small. There is an option on Wisepay our cashless payment system. Please remember to complete the Gift Aid form.

### **Bring your family and friends to the fantastic events we organise!**

We hold a variety of events during the year which offer excellent value for money and guarantee a great time.

### **Come and help us at Friends Events!**

Would you like to join us and help at one of our events? It's a great way to meet other parents/carers and further your involvement with the school. Helpers are always needed for everything from setting up and selling raffle tickets to serving refreshments and more. And do contact us if you have an idea for an event that you would like to hold.

### **Donate a raffle prize!**

Do you have any new items or gifts that you would like to donate as a raffle prize for one of our events or can you offer a service as a prize? Please get in touch.

### **How can I contact Friends?**

By email: [friendsofbishopjustus@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofbishopjustus@gmail.com)

or write to us via Student Reception (please mark 'FAO Friends').