

# Friends of Bourton Meadow

## Who Are We?

The Friends of Bourton Meadow is the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) for Bourton Meadow Academy. It is run by a committee of parents who work throughout the year organising activities for the children and fundraising events that involve the whole school and the wider community.

## The FoBM Committee 2021-22

<b>Chair</b>	Charmaine Clarke (F2 & Y4)
<b>Vice Chair</b>	Tracey Steventon (Y3)
<b>Treasurer</b>	Armel de Montgros (Y3)
<b>Secretary</b>	Nicola Walker (Y1 & Y4)
<b>Committee Members</b>	Emma Knowler (Y2) Iga Ciesielska (Y3) Louise Richardson (Y4) Sally Payne (Y4)

Our aim is to support the school by raising additional funds for equipment that the school budget is unable to provide. We do this by running a few main events throughout the school year. If you have any questions, comments or feedback please speak to one of us or email us at [friends@bourtonmeadow.co.uk](mailto:friends@bourtonmeadow.co.uk). We would really love to hear from you!

## Past Achievements

<b>Year</b>	<b>Achievement</b>
2020-21	Due to challenges presented by the Coronavirus pandemic, funds of £8.1k were diverted from the planned sound system upgrade to purchase 31 new iPads to allow the provision of IT teaching to continue for all classes. £3.6k also allocated as part funding to facilitate the safe crossing outside school.
2019-20	Fundraising continued for the remaining balance for the sound system upgrade and part funding (£5,000) towards a dropped kerb at the front of the school and provision of a Lollipop person.
2018-19	Raised over £13,000 which was added to the previous year's fundraising and use to fund the Multi Use Games Area (£40k) as well as Sound Proofing for the hall and Bourton Centre (£8.9k).
2017-18	Raised over £24,000 which was carried over to go towards the Multi Use Games Area.
2016-17	Donated over £3,000 to fund the pond renovations which were completed in January 2017.
2015-16	Funded over £5,000 towards kitting out the new library and provided funding for the new KS2 playground.
2014-15	Raised over £8,600 and provided new playground equipment and audio equipment to the school.
2013-14	Funded £2,500 to refurbish the Nursery Kitchen.

## Current Projects

Our current project is to raise funds to purchase additional reading resources. We will work with school to allocate funds where they are most needed, with a focus on supporting the expansion of class libraries. School have also asked if we can help with the upgrade or replacement of the sound system in the hall.

## Friends of Bourton Meadow – What's on Next?

DATE	EVENT
December 2021	Elfridges Christmas Shop
December 2021	Aylesbury Panto
December 2021	Christmas Colouring Competition
February-March 2022	Sponsored Read

Due to the uncertainty around Covid-19 infection rates and restrictions that may be required, we are unable to commit to events too far in advance. Other events and activities will be planned in over the year in agreement with school.

## 2021-22 Meetings

Given the ever-changing situation with the pandemic, meetings will take place either from a venue in Buckingham or via Zoom, usually on the second Wednesday of each month at 19:30. Details will be communicated to the school community ahead of time. Everyone involved with the school is welcome at any meeting, please come and say hello!

## Annual General Meeting

The 2020-21 Friends of Bourton Meadow AGM was held on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2021. The officials and committee for the coming year were elected and new parents introduced to the PTA.



AGM Minutes  
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## Suggestions for right hand side of page

Please remove the 'Next Up' red box of events as it is very out of date.

The screenshot shows the website for Friends of Bourton Meadow. At the top is a navigation bar with links: Home, About Us, Campfire, Parents, Sports, FoBM, Nursery, Activ8tors, Governors, and Contact Us. Below the navigation is a section titled 'Friends of Bourton Meadow' with a sub-header 'Friends of Bourton Meadow - PTA'. Underneath is a 'Who Are We?' section with a paragraph describing the PTA. To the right is a red 'Next Up -' box listing events: Friday 12th May - MUGA Mini Marathon, Sunday 14th May - FoBM run the Buckingham Hall Marathon, Saturday 27th May - Circus Pazzaz and mini Fete, and Friday 21st July - Schools Out and School Music Festival/Disco. Below the 'Next Up' box is a table for the FoBM Committee 2019-20.

The FoBM Committee 2019-20	
Chair	Heidi Young – Y2
Vice Chair	Tracey Steventon – Y1
Secretary	Sheryne Shillingford-Reed – F1 & Y2
Co-Treasurers	Louise Dallaway – Y4 Lizzie Hall – Y4

Can we please replace with **Ways to support FoBM** and include the following sections and links:

## Our School Lottery

Did you know we have a school lottery? Tickets cost just £1 and every week there is a cash prize and a chance to win the £25,000 jackpot! It's super simple to set up too.

[Join our School Lottery!](#)

## **AmazonSmile**

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If you shop at Amazon, please consider using AmazonSmile to donate money to FoBM at no cost to you. It's quick to set up:

1. Get the app.
2. Join AmazonSmile (if you haven't already,) and select Friends of Bourton Meadow as your chosen charity.
3. Turn on AmazonSmile in the app. (Go to 'Settings', tap on 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on screen instructions to turn on AmazonSmile on your phone.)

You can also shop via a desktop or mobile browser at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)

[Sign up to Amazon Smile](#)

## **Pre-loved Uniform**

We have a good supply of pre-loved uniform which we offer for sale at low costs (most items 50p - £1) from our uniform shed just outside school by the car park. It is open a couple of days a week at drop-off and pick-up times, and orders can also be emailed through to [uniformshop.bma@gmail.com](mailto:uniformshop.bma@gmail.com) and made up for you. As this is run by volunteers, please check the sign on the shed or email the uniform shop to check their latest opening days.