

FOBS END OF HALF TERM NEWSLETTER - MAY 2025

Friends of Botley School, 52 High Street, Botley, Southampton, Hampshire, SO30 2EA

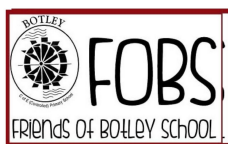
EVENTS HELD THIS TERM INCLUDED THE QUIZ NIGHT - THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO CAME



- Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our Quiz at Botley School on Friday 9th May we had 11 teams participate. Thank you to Mr Cooil for creating the quiz and being an amazing quiz master, and Mrs Shuttle was brilliant counting up the scores.
- Thank you to J-Henry's Fish and Chips Hedge end for the amazing fish and chips, everyone commented how great they were!!
- Thank you to Jackson Bailey for sponsoring the event for the main raffle prizes. Thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets on the night.



- We would like to thank Yaz Parsons for donating the winners trophy and Simon Gibson for donating and making the losers spoon for the losing team. Well done to the Sow to Grow team who won the quiz, at our last quiz back in 2023 they 'won' the losers spoon, so a fantastic turn around for them. Thank you to our losers team who came from our village to support our school too. We have such a lovely community in Botley so thank you for all coming. Amount we raised to be announced soon but all proceeds which fobs can use to support the school.



**Bookings and signing up to help please
use the QR code link or web address:**

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofbotleyschool/>
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WHAT WE DONATED TO SCHOOL IN SUMMER TERM 2025:

Thank you again to our parents who support us, donating when we ask and we really hope we enrich both your and your child's experience at Botley School.

MEETING MINUTES FROM OUR MEETING ON 1st APRIL ARE HERE:

LINK: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Nw1SK1w_6flcddOamluH3Uk_cmRDgrgY/edit?usp=share_link&oid=114263696348779180887&rtpof=true&sd=true

In the APRIL Meeting FOBS meeting we agreed to fund a new sensory play trail (see below) and we agreed to fund paint for a mural on the swimming pool wall which Mrs Westlake and the school council and some parents have been planning.

NEW Botley Sensory Play Trail

Nationally and as a school we have seen an increase in children with special educational needs and at Botley C of E Primary School, we are endeavour to foster inclusive, engaging, and developmentally enriching environments for all our students. As part of this, we are seeking funding to develop a sensory play trail on our school grounds to support children struggling to engage with education. The aim is to have a dynamic, outdoor trail of activity stations designed to stimulate and support children's sensory, communication and social skills development through interactive, nature-based experiences. Any use of the trail will be facilitated by adults within the school working with children one to one or in small groups.

The innovative trail will not only enhance physical activity and cognitive growth but will also provide a vital resource for children with sensory processing needs, including those with autism and other neurodiverse conditions. By investing in this project, funders will help us create welcoming, therapeutic spaces that promote learning, exploration, and well-being for children in our care.

The trail will be developed over the next few years. In the first phase, we will have sand and mud pits, water trays and exploration, outdoor den building kits and the further outdoor play equipment.

EXAMPLES OF ITEMS: Carts to move water and objects around the field. Den building. Water trays and water exploration. Shed to store equipment to work with stations. Two Covered sand and mud pits.



OTHER ITEMS WE HAVE FUNDED AND REGULAR COMMITMENTS:

One of our bigger annual commitments is towards the school trips to lower the costs to parents due to the rise in costs of the buses. Last year we also agreed a larger contribution towards Art and DT Materials £5000 for this year. Without FOBS contributions for these materials the school would not be able to run this type of learning.

We have also supported workshops at school, SEN Materials, maths and DT food tech resources and music instruments etc. In the summer term have funded the recent SATS Breakfast and will fund Year 6 leavers items and the sports trophies again.



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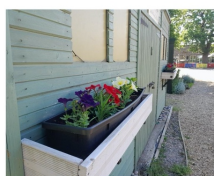


MATCH FUNDING: OTHER NEWS....

Thank you for the responses to the poster and email we put out in the spring term asking if your employers could support our PTA. If anyone else is able to support us via their business or workplace we would really appreciate it. We have received £250 of match funding from a parent working at SSE. We have also received £500 for the swimming pool from parent Natasha Jenkins and she works at the One Savings Bank PLC.

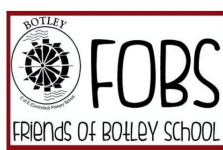
FOBS SHED AND SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALES

We want to thank Steve and Laura from Eclipse Projects for our new signs for our FOBS Shed where we sell our second hand uniform. We think they look so great. Thank you!! 😊 Please leave any second uniform donations at the school office, especially logo uniform.



Thanks to the children in Tuesday Garden Club for the flowers they have planted in our window boxes too.

Botley Sow to Grow Update; FOBS have a regular commitment and donate £100 every half term to the school gardens project (£600 over the year and this has been used to purchase soil, seeds and bulbs etc). Grants have been obtained directly for supporting the school gardens in bigger garden projects, the most recent awarded is a £500 grant from HEWEB towards the garden area at the front of the school that the Garden Sow to Grow Team has developed, see photos below. They have also developed a new path from the playground to the sanctuary garden. We are very lucky to have this space for staff and children to use. Garden club is run by Mr Barton who leads the project and two parent volunteers on Tuesday's for years 3-6. Please contact school if you would like to help. We plan to have tomato plants for sale on Tuesday 3rd June after school at the gate £2 a plant or £5 for 3.



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HELPERS FOR EVENTS

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofbotleyschool/>
SIGN UP ON OUR WEBSITE TO HELP

WITHOUT HELPERS FOR THE COLOUR RUN WE CANNOT GO AHEAD: PLEASE SIGN UP TO HELP OR WE WILL HAVE TO CANCEL THE EVENT. THE CHILDREN HAVE SO MUCH FUN AT THE COLOUR RUN AND CREATE MEMORIES THEY KEEP FOREVER.

HELP NEEDED: Setting up in morning, Paint Throwers (12.45-2pm & 2pm-3.30pm)
help on the gate between 12:30 -2pm & 2pm-3.30pm and help packing up after.

3-6-25 Tomato Plant Sale after school -at school gates 3.10pm

3-6-25 7pm Tuesday FOBS Meeting- Botley school staff room

13-6-25 Friday 13th June Colour Raffle collection and raffle draw at assembly and non uniform day.

14-6-25 Colour Run -Saturday 14th June 12-4pm.
Booking out soon. Sponsored by Jackson Bailey)

JUNE SPORTS DAYS

Sports Day Refreshment Sales: drinks, snacks and ice creams

- Wednesday 18th June for KS1 Sports Day
- Thursday 19th June for KS2 Sports Day.

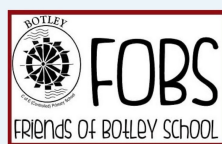
20-6-25 NON UNIFORM DAY - Items for REVELS on REC:
Teddies, bottles, tombola items and sweets.

21-6-25 Saturday 21st June Revels on Rec 12pm to 10pm free Botley Parish Council Event. PTA running a stall with Borley Park PTA.

5-7-25 Saturday 5th July- Inflatables- 12-4pm at Botley School fields and playground.
Bring a picnic or refreshments for sale

10-7-25 Bags to School- Thursday 10th July by 8.50am
on day donations only and non uniform day

18-7-25 End of Term Summer Disco- school hall
KS1 5pm- 6.30pm KS2 6.45-8.15pm



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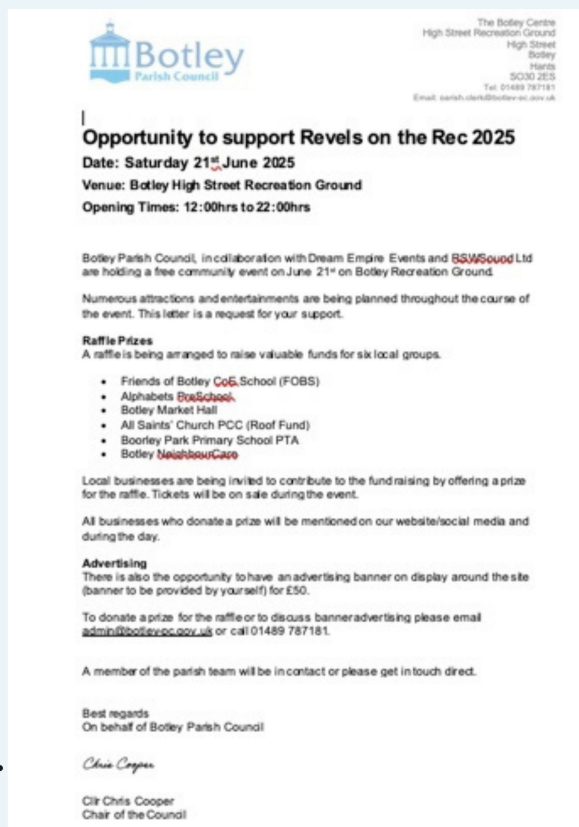
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**WE ALSO NEED HELPERS
AT REVELS ON THE REC ON
Saturday 21ST JUNE 12-5pm:**

We're excited to let you know that we will be running a stand at this years event shared with Boorley Park PTA! We plan to sell refreshments and run game stalls together and share our profits in half. Help is needed in the morning to set up, running the stall 12-5pm and packing up after. Please sign up on our PTA Events webpage.



At the event the Parish Council are also hosting a raffle to support the 6 local community groups including both our PTA's. If you can donate a prize or sponsor the event via advertising banners please contact the Parish Council on admin@botley-pc.gov.uk. See letter above from the Parish Council.

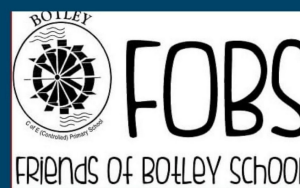
NON UNIFORM DAY FRIDAY 20TH JUNE

We also plan to have a Non Uniform Day on Friday 20th June to ask for donations for the event if you are able too. We are collecting teddies, bottles, tombola items and sweets. Thanks the FOBS Team



FOBS PTA

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Annual General Meeting **TUESDAY** **16th SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HALL 7PM**

ALL PARENTS INVITED TO JOIN US

The annual AGM is held in the school hall and all are welcome to attend, just to listen or to get involved. Hear about how we have fundraised and what for.

We cover a review of the finances of the PTA/FOBS for the year before.

The current committee then all step down and a new committee is voted on.

7PM Tea and Coffee and meeting starts at 7.30pm

Elections for 2025-2026 Committee positions will take place:

The current committee step down and a new committee is voted on.

ELECTED CORE COMMITTEE -TRUSTEE POSITIONS AVAILABLE :

* Chair (can be 2 people as Co-Chair)

Vice Chair (Can be two people as Co- Vice Chair)

Running events, chairing meetings, organising volunteers, risk assessments etc

* Secretary (minutes, week ahead etc)

* Treasurer (Yearly Accounts, regular reports, charity reporting)

UNELECTED -NON TRUSTEE VOLUNTEER POSITIONS:

The exact non trustee positions being filled is to be decided, depending on who comes forward for roles:

- * Second hand uniform officer (organising uniform shed and sales)
- * Vice Treasurer (banking and floats)
- * Grants Officer (applying for grants)
- * Website help and website advertising space
- * Publicity (posters and social media etc)

If you wish to stand please speak to the current FOBS committee;

**Chair Carys Gibson Dickinson, Vice-Chair: Anna Littler, Secretary: Tahli Rouse,
Treasurer: Jess Hunter OR speak to Mr Cooil the Head Teacher**

Thank you to everybody who has helped with FOBS over the past year- both by helping at events and coming along to enjoy them. It would be great to see people at the AGM.

We need enough people to vote the new committee in to meet charity standards. Even if you just pop along to give a bit of feedback about our events and how you think we could improve things, or just ideas for new events- You won't end up on the committee just because you've turned up!!

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FOBS with Botley Sow to Grow

TOMATO PLANT SALE

TUESDAY 3RD JUNE



CASH OR CARD



TOMATO PLANTS FOR SALE

£2 a plant or 3 for £5

From Botley Sow to Grow Project – our school gardens
which is part of FOBS but please follow their own
instagram page for garden specific updates:

<https://www.instagram.com/sow2growbotley/>

ON THE PLAYGROUND AT THE GATE

AT PICK UP 3.10PM

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 **FOBS**
FRIENDS OF BOTLEY SCHOOL

NEXT FOBS MEETING
TUESDAY
3rd JUNE AT THE
STAFF ROOM 7PM

ALL PARENTS AND CARERS
INVITED TO JOIN US

Tea, coffee and biscuits provided

Hear about how we have fundraised
what we have funded this year
and our plans for the future.
Find out how you can help.

Please put the date in your diaries..



FOBS PTA & BOTLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

COLOUR RAFFLE



FOBS PRIMARY SCHOOL



HAMPER IDEAS

SANDY

CHERRY

TEENY TINY HOT PRODUCTS

COCOAFLAVOUR

PILGRIMINARY

GUTTA

SILVERFLAVOUR

SANDALS

BUTTERFLY

BERRY

WE MUST BE GIVING OUT CONTAINING BUTS

SAMPLE HAMPERS






ITEMS MUST BE NON PERISHABLE.

BRING IN THE WEEK:
MONDAY 19TH JUNE
TO FRIDAY 13TH JUNE

CHILDREN ARE ASKED TO BRING IN ONE ITEM IN THE COLOUR THAT THEIR YEAR GROUP HAS BEEN ALLOCATED



THERE WILL BE A RAFFLE TO WIN THE HAMPER DRAWN ASKED TO BRING IN SUGGESTED DONATION OF A £1 ON FRIDAY 13TH JUNE NON UNIFORM DAY

£1 - NON UNIFORM DAY FRIDAY 13TH JUNE

RAFFLE DRAW IN ASSEMBLY THAT DAY



**FOBS PTA & BOTLEY
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



**FOOTBALL
FOUNDATION OF
SCHOOL TEACHERS**





**BOOK VIA
QR CODE**

THE COLOUR RUN & OBSTACLE COURSE

Saturday 15th June 2025

BOOKING OPEN: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friends-of-botleyschool/>

**£5 ENTRY FOR PARENTS TIME SLOTS BETWEEN 1-3pm
FREE ENTRY FOR SPECTATORS REFRESHMENTS FOR SALE**

CLOTHING Please wear your own clothing you don't mind getting covered in colour powder. White works best.

**THANK
YOU TO PARENTS
WHO WILL BE DOING
THE WARM UPS**



**EVENT SPONSORED
by Jackson Bailey
our local estate
agent in Botley Mills**

REGISTERED CHARITY COMMISSION NUMBER: 101316



AN EVENT BY BOTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

RECREATION VENUE

SUPPORTED BY DREAM EMPIRE EVENTS LTD & RSW SOUND

REVELS ON THE REC



SAT 21ST

JUNE '25

12PM - 10PM

BOTLEY RECREATION GROUND,
HIGH STREET, BOTLEY,
SOUTHAMPTON, SO30 2ES

Revels on Rec free Botley
Parish Council Event, PTA
running a stall with Borley Park
PTA- please sign up to help.

Bags 2 School Collection

52 High St, Botley, Southampton SO30 2EA

THURSDAY 10th JULY 8.15am

WE CANNOT TAKE DONATIONS IN ADVANCE

We will be collecting good condition clothes & items (see list below) that you no longer want. It is all thanks to our team and we get given a payment depending on the weight of the van.

NOTE: PLEASE NO PILLOWS OR DUVETS

NON UNIFORM DAY FOR THE CHILDREN

Clothes & Items can be put in any plastic bag and bought in at **School drop off ON THE DAY ONLY**. (Leaving swimming pool is being used in the summer term and we can't store bags in advance).

Last contributions are taken at 8.50am.

WHAT WE COLLECT

What we are looking for good quality clothing:

- Bed linen
- Towels
- Bathing suits (bring in separate bags)
- Hats
- Socks
- Scarves
- Jumpers
- T-shirts
- Coats
- Jackets
- Trainers
- Backpacks
- Schoolbags
- Children's shoes
- Children's coats and sweaters
- Toys

NO NOT BRING

- A smart and expensive
- Dirty or stained
- Clothing, like new and involving dirty
- Shoes and boots
- School uniforms
- School uniform (eggs or worn clothing)
- School equipment and school bags
- Children's clothing and accessories
- Household appliances

Bags 2 School

FORBES
SCHOOL OF LEADERSHIP
AND TEAMWORK



SUMMER INFLATABLES

REGISTERED CHARITY COMMISSION NUMBER: 1033816

INFLATAPLANET

UNLIMITED INFLATABLE FUN THAT'S AFFORDABLE FOR EVERYONE

THE INFLATABLE THEME PARK IS COMING TO

BOTLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

£10 an unlimited wrist band (no booking required)

SATURDAY 5th July 12pm-4pm

Refreshments available or bring a picnic

52 High St, Botley, Southampton SO30 2EA

Please no dogs,
no smoking,
no alcohol

WWW.INFLATAPLANET.CO.UK
02380 015 128 info@inflataplanet.co.uk





FOBS

SUMMER DISCO

Friday 18th July 2025

Year R,1&2 5pm-6.30pm

Year 3,4,5&6 6.45pm-8.15pm

Tickets £5 to include hotdog, crisps, drink and entry.

Tickets available on PTA website.

Scan QR code to book

Glown sticks & Tattoos from 50p

Children to bring no mobile phones please

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FORUM OF BLETLEY SCHOOLS

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