

Meadows Community

Ethos

We are a parent-teacher-student association whose aim is to enrich the school community primarily through social events, a pre-loved uniform shop and fundraising. All parents, carers, staff and students are automatically *Friends of Meadows Community*.

Statement of Purpose

Meadows Community aim to support our school community and connect parents and families by holding a variety of social events.

Whilst our main focus is to enhance the social community of the school, it seems appropriate that we should give back to a school that so generously gives to us and our children. We fundraise to provide additional facilities for our children and to enhance their school experience. Examples of fundraising activity include the pre-loved uniform shop, <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/> and the Christmas Fayre.

Structure

Whole school contact serves as a link between all *Friends of Meadows Community*.

Two **Parent class contacts** per class support the whole school contact and promote community in their child's class by organising parent and family social events via class whatsapp groups, welcoming new families to the school and offering support for one another. Whatsapp group chats are available per class as a practical way to connect parents and plan class meet ups.

Social Contact organises whole school social events, including a termly parents' night out as well as a monthly parent meet up such as a coffee morning or walk.

Fundraising Contact facilitates volunteers to organise fundraising events as appropriate.

Christmas Fayre Contact facilitates volunteers to organise the Christmas Fayre.

Pre-loved Contact facilitates the pre-loved shop.

<https://meadowsinaction.com/>

Student class contacts voice student interests to their teacher in order to collaborate as appropriate.

Funding

Requests or suggestions for funding may be received from school, parents or children.

The school Business Manager maintains the Meadows Community incomings and outgoings.

Funds raised or donated to Meadows Community should be spent on items or experiences that enhance the school for our children.

In order to ensure whole school interests are represented, spending of Meadows Community funds are to be agreed by whole school online polls. The school Business Manager will help facilitate distribution of spending approval polls.

Meetings and Communication

Meadows Community will meet once a month followed by a meeting between the whole school contact, head teacher and a staff member. Social and fundraising volunteers will meet as appropriate to plan for events. The whole school contact is to attend a school staff meeting once per term.

The Meadows Community whatsapp group chat is open to all parents who want to be involved or stay informed on the association's activity. Information on how to join the Meadows Community chat is available on each weekly email from the head teacher and at reception.