Dear all,

Hopefully everyone is feeling settled into the new school year and getting into the routine of things.

Summary of newsletter: we need a new Chair of Friends – any suggestions? Next planning meeting 27th September Seahorse Pub 8pm. Year 3/4 cake stall - 22nd September

Friends of Fishergate help the school by providing fun out-of-school events that children and their parents (hopefully) enjoy. These events help raise valuable funds to pay for extra things that might not happen otherwise.

Could you be more involved?

If you'd like to be more active in helping Friends then we have lots of different ways you can help. We always need help setting up and running the discos and fairs. We also have need of people to help with the second hand uniform, cake sales, posters – lots of things. We are particularly short of parents/carers with children from EYU and KS1 so please do think about putting yourself forward. If you'd like more information about how you can help please email on friendsoffishergate@yahoo.com or let Emma in the office know – we need you!

Next Chair of Friends – who will it be??

The first big decision of the year is to find a new Chair, this role involves calling the planning meetings and helps to oversee the activities that Friends put on. It does not mean you do everything, there's a great team in place, it is more of a co-ordinating role. Any suggestions?

First meeting of the year – please join us

Our first meeting of the year will be on **Wednesday 27th September at 8pm** in the Seahorse Pub. It's very friendly and you'd be very welcome to come and along and see a bit more about what we do.

Halloween Disco Friday 27th October

Friday nights are the only night that the school is free in the evenings so apologies if you're dashing away for half term but please do come along if you're around.

Please bring your decorated pumpkins into school on the morning of Friday 27th October and they will be displayed during the disco in the evening. More details to follow......

6pm – 7pm EYU and KS1 disco

7.15 – 8.15 pm KS2

Are you a KS1 parent? If so we are in desperate need for your help in setting up for the disco. We need about 5 or 6 parents to come into school at about 5.30 and help set up tables and prepare the café before the disco starts. Please consider if you can help in doing this.

Cake stalls with uniform sale

We are trialling a new system of cake stalls for this term in the hopes that it is less onerous on parents and better supported. We will be holding monthly cake stalls and here are the dates for your diary: We also hope to offer uniform to buy as well.

Year 3/4 Friday 22nd September – are you a parent of a year 3 or year 4 child, please buy or make some cakes for us to sell and please consider if you could stay behind and run the stall for about 30 mins? Please let your teacher know.

Year 5/6 Friday 20th October – please note the date and we will remind you to bring something in on the day.

Year 1/2 Friday 17th November - you will be reminded but please volunteer to help if you can

EYU Friday 15th December – any contributions gratefully received