

# Friends of the Harefield Academy

## April 2017

### Welcome

This is the first newsletter of the Friends of The Harefield Academy! FoTHA was established in September 2016 as a way for parents, teachers and support staff to raise money for the school. It's a great way to socialise, keep in touch with the school and have a good laugh.

Since September we've hosted a non-uniform day, a disco for years 7 & 8 and supported the Community Christmas tea. So far we've raised an amazing £300!

### Ink Cartridges & Mobile Phones



Please don't throw away any branded, **used ink cartridges or old mobile phones!** Instead drop them into the recycle4charity collection box in the school reception or click on this link to help directly: <http://www.recycle4charity.co.uk/Register/C81691> It's free and it's easy!

### Not just a school fund raiser...



From the start we decided that FoTHA wouldn't just raise money for the school. Before Christmas we held a voting day where each pupil was asked to choose a charity to support. Great Ormond Street Hospital Children's Charity won and a percentage of all funds raised over this year will be donated to them.

### Future Events

We aim to be able to host 1 event each term. This could be anything from football and sports tournaments to quizzes and discos. We'll let you know via email and posters around school so keep a look out!

### Clothes Recycling



Working with the EcoKids Project we'll be asking you to donate a bag of old or unused clothes. This will help those who need it in Eastern Europe and Africa whilst also making money for the school!

### The School Wish List



The school have asked us to support them by specifically raising money for:

1. A reading book for every Year 7 starter in September 2017. The aim is to use the book as an ice breaker and get the new classes talking.
2. Electronic Readers for the SEN Department – Two or three of these machines will really help those who need support with their reading.
3. Cameras for the Media Studies department – Technology has moved on considerably since the current cameras were purchased. New cameras will enhance the learning experience of all Media Studies students.

### Get Involved

We'd love it if you could get involved with FoTHA either by supporting an event or by joining the committee. Our next meetings will be held in the school restaurant 6pm -7pm on

**20 April**

**25 May**

**22 June**

**20 July** (with a social afterwards)

We hope to see you there!