Welcome back, after half term – we hope you had a fun-filled week off from school! As you may already know "**Friends of Pendragon**" is a registered charity, run by volunteers, to help bridge the gap in funding and provide enriching opportunities for the children of Pendragon! On 18th October a **new committee** for Friends was voted in at our AGM! We wanted to introduce ourselves and tell you about



exciting events and opportunities for both community engagement and fund-raising we have planned for this half term! The countdown to Christmas if on!



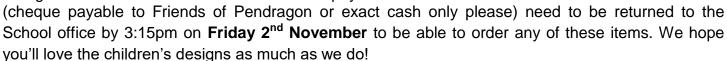
This year's committee is made up of **35** parents, carers, teachers and friends, currently (there's always room for new members – and we'd love to hear from you if you would like to join our merry crew).

There are 3 co-chairs: **Bryony Tolley, Liv Myson** and **Victoria Chapman**, 2 vice-chairs: **Gail Curran** and **Lynette Wooding**; a Treasurer **Caroline Winchester** and assistant **Jodie Singh**; a Secretary **Helen Hatton** and assistant **Katie Taylor**. There will also be Class Reps, which you will hear more about as we put it all together! If you have any questions for Friends you can email us at friends@pendragon.cambs.sch.uk

So, that's us! Now for the exciting bit...

Monday 29th October – Check book bags!

All children were invited to design their own Christmas Card, if your child did this there will be a sample in your child's book bag. You can order packs of Christmas Cards, Tea Towels, Mugs and more using the enclosed order form. The order and payment





Friday 9th November – Autumn Fest 3:30-5pm in the school hall!

A family event with the opportunity to handle bugs and exotic pets, play games, craft, win prizes, eat hot-dogs and drink hot chocolate – or why not try your hand at our "I'm a Celebrity" challenge or Dino-Dare!

Entrance is free, the animal handling experience is free, but you may want to bring some change to win some exciting prizes... including "hatch your own dinosaurs" and "squishies"!

<u>Thursday 6th December</u> – Christmas Wreath Making Workshop, 7:15-9:30pm in room 8 at school!

This is an *adult only* event. There will be *mulled wine* with *cheese* and *crackers* waiting for you along with an *expert wreath maker* to guide you through making your own Christmas wreath. All materials are included and your wreath is yours to take away. This is a *ticket* only event and *spaces are limited*. Please see attached poster for further details regarding booking your space and prices.



Christmas Raffle

Look out for Christmas Raffle tickets! They will come home in your child's bag.

Top prize is £100, kindly donated by **SF Mortgages** – a village based mortgage broker – who has also kindly sponsored the printing of the tickets! Thank you SF Mortgages! Tickets are 50p each and the raffle will be drawn at the **FS Nativity**, so make sure to put your name and number on the ticket stubs when you return them, with your payment. Under the licensing law for this raffle unsold tickets **MUST** be returned. If you can sell all of the ones which come home to friends and family that would be **AMAZING**, but if not **PLEASE** return the unsold ones.



Friday 14th December - KS2 Disco 6-7pm, school hall.

The annual Christmas gift from Friends to Key Stage 2, of a Christmas Disco, will be on Friday14th December this year. This is a **FREE** event for **Pendragon pupils in KS2 only**— they do not need to be accompanied by an adult and can bring cash for tuck shop items if required (water is available free of charge).

Mobile phones are not permitted at this event, for safeguarding reasons. This disco is only open to current KS2 Pendragon Pupils, there will be other discos throughout the school year open to a wider audience, but this is a Christmas gift to KS2 from Friends.

Tuesday 18th December – FS & KS1 Christmas Entertainment!

This year, Friends have booked the very popular and hilarious **Steve Sausage** to entertain **Foundation Stage** and **Key Stage 1** children, as their Christmas gift from us.

