MARTON FRIENDS AND FAMILIES

Newsletter

OCT 2026



Welcome back to a brand new school year! A particularly warm welcome to all our new families, especially our newest Reception children and their grown-ups.

Before we look ahead, a huge, heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported us last year, whether you came along to an event, baked a cake (or bought one!), donated a prize, lent a hand, or simply shared a post.

We'd also like to say a special thank you to the businesses, trusts and organisations whose donations and grants made such a difference. We couldn't do any of it without you.



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How your money has helped...

You might have spotted our amazing Astroturf, which was installed back in February last year. But there's been lots more going on around school that you might not have noticed, and every bit of it was made possible by everyone's kind donations.

Here's a look at what F&F was able to give back to school last year:

- **Astroturf** for year-round outdoor play
- **A nature pond,** perfect for pond-dipping and spotting wildlife
- **Fencing** for the pond and astroturf
- Outdoor **play equipment** for Reception, for our littlest adventurers
- **£100 for every class**, for teachers to spend on what their class needs most
- **Book bags** for Reception
- **School ties** for Year 3
- **Year 5 Hallé bus,** to get our musicians to the concert
- **Elsa toys**, to support emotional learning and wellbeing
- **Sensory equipment** for The Meadow, helping children who need a little time away from the classroom
- **Town sports** banner
- Christmas **selection boxes** for every child
- **Easter eggs** for every child
- An end-of-year **ice cream van**



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HOW YOU CAN HELP THIS YEAR?

Come along! Buy tickets and join us at our events. There's always something fun going on, from discos and bingo nights to seasonal treats - there's something for everyone.

Donate raffle prizes. Anything helps, from unwanted gifts and vouchers to donations from businesses you might know.

Ask your workplace. Some employers will match-fund an event or make a donation, so it's always worth asking.

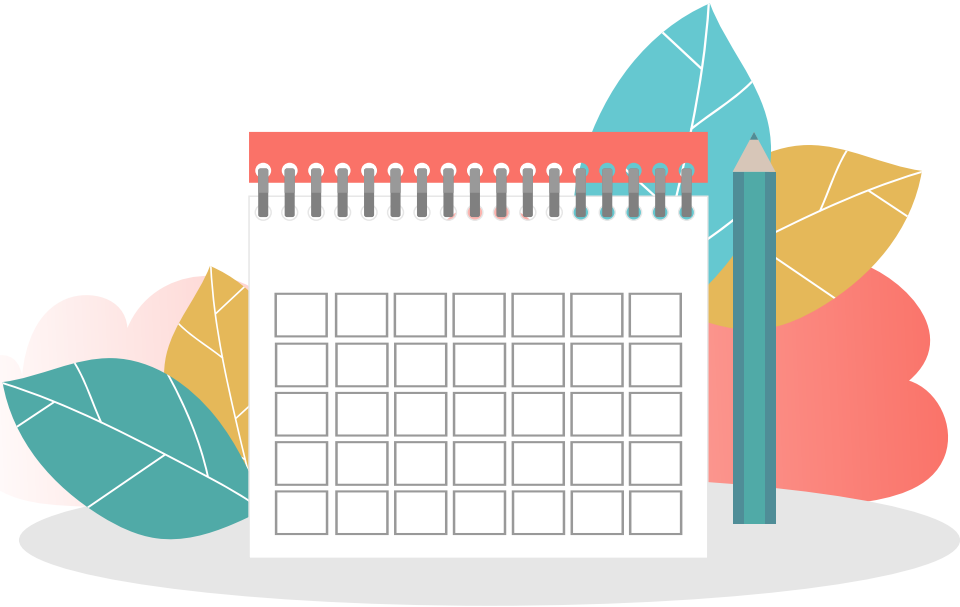
Get baking. If you love to bake, we always need treats for our Treat Fridays and refreshments at events.

Lend a hand. We can always use more volunteers at events. We promise not to take up your whole day, and even an hour is hugely appreciated.

Donate outgrown uniform. Pop it in the blue donations bin near Mad House. It's used to top-up our uniform drawers in Reception and the bin is also monitored by The Big Clothes Movement, who put pre-loved clothing to great use.

Got a Skill to Share? Do you have a talent that could help F&F, whether it's something you do for a living, a hobby or something else entirely, we'd love to hear about it!

If you'd like to join our volunteers' WhatsApp group, drop an email to **ffSecretary@marton.cheshire.sch.uk** and we'll add you in.



Dates for the diary

20TH OCT	EYFS + KS1 HARVEST FESTIVAL (CASH RAFFLE)	9.15AM
21ST OCT	KS2 HARVEST FESTIVAL (CASH RAFFLE)	9.15AM
23RD NOV	ELFRIDGES CHRISTMAS SHOP	ALL WEEK
1ST DEC	F&F CONGLETON SANTA TAKEOVER	DAISYBANK AREA
4TH DEC	KS2 CHRISTMAS DISCO	DETAILS TO FOLLOW
5TH DEC	EYFS + KS1 CHRISTMAS PARTIES	DETAILS TO FOLLOW
TBC DEC	PRIZE SCRATCHCARDS ARE BACK	WILL YOU BE LUCKY?
15TH DEC	EYFS CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE REFRESHMENTS	9.30AM
16TH DEC	KS1 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE REFRESHMENTS	9.30AM
16TH DEC	KS2 CAROL CONCERT	5.30PM
18TH DEC	CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY / SANTA DASH	

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