



# Friends Focus

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## DIARY DATES

11<sup>th</sup> October  
4-6pm  
Spooky Film Night  
Years 6 -11

17<sup>th</sup> October  
4pm - 5.30pm  
Halloween Disco  
Reception – Year 5

9<sup>th</sup> November from 4pm  
Fireworks Night  
Whole School & Guests

7<sup>th</sup> November Parents  
Christmas Gift Sale

14<sup>th</sup> December  
12-2.30pm  
Christmas Fayre

### *Friends Introduction*

We do hope you are settling back into the new school year. I would like to introduce myself - I am Mandy Winter and I have been Chair of the Friends for a few years now. I am really lucky to have a fantastic committee who help organise all the events we hold at Saint Nicholas to raise funds for extra things that will aid all our children's time at the school, with the added bonus of having fun.

The Friends are very excited this year as the school will be celebrating its 80th birthday. We already have lots of events planned and I thought I would inform you about some of them.

This year the first events are for Halloween: we have the very popular Spooky Disco for Reception to Year 5 pupils (17<sup>th</sup> October), when pupils will get a chance to dress up, dance and have fun; and a new event this year - Spooky Film Night for Year 6-11 pupils (11<sup>th</sup> October).

The Friends organise a Christmas gift sale (7<sup>th</sup> December) when children have the opportunity to visit our gift shop to buy gifts for their family. A similar event takes place around Mother's and Father's Day.

Firework night (9<sup>th</sup> November) where you will see the best firework display in the area. There is no charge for tickets this year and family and friends are welcome to attend. The event starts when school finishes with food and drink, and the bonfire and firework display will commence at 5.30pm.

Then please keep free for our annual Christmas Fayre, the afternoon of the last day of this term (Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December). There will be lots of fantastic Christmas magic for all the family to enjoy.

We are also hoping to arrange a Valentine's Film Night and a Family Fun Night in the spring term. The big events this year which will celebrate the 80th birthday of Saint Nicholas School are the Summer Fayre (15<sup>th</sup> June) and the Summer Ball (6<sup>th</sup> July).

The Friends are a small committee of parents of pupils from the school and we always welcome new members or ideas. I can truly say all the people on the Friends committee are a pleasure not only to work with in raising funds for the school, but who I am lucky enough to call my friends.