



We are your PTA.  
We promote positive relationships throughout the school community by organising social events and fundraising for additional resources.



**Hunters Estate Agents in Forest Hill are the official sponsors of FOK events for 2019/20.**

Sales or lettings made through Hunters by Kilmorie parents or carers will financially benefit the school as Hunters will give FOK a small commission. If you are thinking of moving, contact Hunters on **020 3002 4089** or [foresthill@hunters.com](mailto:foresthill@hunters.com) and explain that you are a Kilmorie parent/carers. If you do decide to sign up with Hunters, please let us know!

### ROLL UP, ROLL UP!

Some amazingly generous prizes have been donated for the raffle this year, including:

1<sup>st</sup> prize - a Nintendo Switch donated by Hunters

2<sup>nd</sup> prize – £150 voucher for a meal at Hawksmoor

3<sup>rd</sup> prize – a hamper and £50 voucher from The Butchery

Tickets and a full list of prizes will be sent home in book bags on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November – please buy as many as you can!



*Kilmorie 'Twelve Days of Christmas' Fair*  
**Saturday 30th November**  
1.30 - 4.30pm  
Free entry

### DONATIONS REMINDER

We are now able to accept donations of the below items for the Christmas Fair. Please leave by the school office.

**Secret gift room items** – good quality new or unused gifts for adults (no DVDs or alcohol)

**Cuddly/soft toys only** (no baby or toddler toys)

**Silver coins** (5p and up)

**Jam jars** – clean, empty with labels removed.

❄️ **THANK YOU** ❄️

### CHRISTMAS FAIR POSTER COMPETITION DEADLINE FAST APPROACHING...

The deadline has been extended until the **end of day on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November** so your child still has time to create their masterpiece! The two winners (one from Reception to Year 2 and one from Year 3 to Year 6) will see their posters displayed all over school, the local area and social media. Entries must be handed in to the office, be based on our 12 Days of Christmas theme, on A4 paper, contain drawings only (no glitter or words), and have some blank space (so we can add event details). Don't forget to write your child's name, year and class on the back. All of the posters will be on display at the Christmas Fair. **Good luck!**



Next week we will be asking Friends Reps to share the link to the volunteer sign-up form for the Christmas Fair - please look out for it!

The online sign-up process is the same as we trialled at the Summer Barbecue – it's quick and easy to use and lets you see what help is needed and when. Please, please do sign-up for something if you can spare any time – there are jobs to suit everyone and we need lots of help!

- 👏 Join us at one of our hands-on making sessions
- 👏 Come along to the Community Room in the three days leading up to the fair and help us with preparations
- 👏 Volunteer for an hour-long slot on a stall or game
- 👏 Help with set-up or clear-up before or after the fair
- 👏 Sign-up for a task that will help our efforts to be more sustainable, such as sorting recycling or washing-up.

### JINGLE JARS, JINGLE JARS, JINGLE ALL THE WAY...

Did you know that proceeds from the Jingle Jar stall at the Christmas Fair go to a charity chosen by the school council? More information will follow on this year's charity, but in the meantime, why not put a



a couple of jam jars aside for your kids to decorate and fill with sweets, toys, craft items etc. Each jar is sold for £1 at the fair - if every Kilmorie child brought in a jingle jar to sell, imagine how much money could be raised! Any other leftover jam jars will gladly be accepted by us to make items for our craft stall – so please start collecting them now!



## INTRODUCING OUR NEW ECO LEAD

At the start of October, we welcomed Laura, a Year 1 mum, to the committee. Below, she explains what we are doing to try and make FOK events more sustainable and environmentally friendly.

“We are all increasingly aware of the urgency of environmental issues and the need to take action. My focus on the committee is finding ways that FOK can reduce single-use plastic consumption and improve recycling efforts at events. As a PTA, we’re committed to do better and have started making changes.

There are lots of ways we are reducing our reliance on single-use plastic. One major achievement is that Hunters have kindly agreed to sponsor the purchase of reusable drinks cups for our bars. Other changes that have been taking place include choosing more sustainable prizes for our games (such as the pencils and erasers in the Summer Barbecue lucky dip), using donated ceramic mugs at coffee mornings and purchasing stainless steel cutlery for the Quiz and Curry. Bottled still water is no longer sold at FOK events and instead we’ve started offering free water stations where you can fill up your own reusable water bottles. Like many PTAs, we have historically used a lot of plastic so you may still see some at our events as we try to run down our stocks - but when it comes to new purchases, we will be making more sustainable choices in future!

Our next objective is to get better at sorting and recycling our waste at events like the Christmas Fair. We plan to invest in reusable rubbish bins to make it easier to increase the amount recycled and we will have more and better signage so people know what to put where.

We can’t do it alone though, so please help us by sorting your rubbish and bringing your own containers, bags for life, reusable hot drink cups and refillable water bottles with you whenever you come to our events.

I would love to hear your ideas and suggestions of how we can improve our sustainability and will need a team of volunteers to help with specific tasks at events to make sure we keep the environment at the top of the agenda. Please do get in touch if you’re interested in getting involved.”

Please go to our easyfundraising cause page and register to support us when you do your **Christmas shopping online**. It’s quick, easy and costs nothing, but raises extra funds for us!

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofkilmorie/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofkilmorie/)



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Poster competition deadline</b> Please return entries to the office!
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November</b> <b>8 – 10pm</b> <b>Community Room</b>	<b>Open Committee Meeting</b> Join us to hear about our Christmas Fair plans. All welcome.
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November</b> <b>9.10 – 11am</b>	<b>Hands-on making session</b> Email us for location details.
<b>Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November</b> <b>1.30 – 4.30pm</b>	<b>Kilmorie Christmas Fair</b> Our biggest event of the term...

The **FOK mailing list** is a great way of keeping up-to-date with our news and events. Your contact details will not be shared with anyone and we promise not to bombard you with loads of emails! If you’d like to be added, please email us. We also post information on **social media** too and we’d love some more followers. If you are on Instagram, Twitter or Facebook, please look us up!



### Friends of Kilmorie Committee:

Caroline Maybin, Sarah Bottaioli, Catherine McAnena, Rumana Bennett, Anna Ranson, Lizzi Easterbrook, Thracia Perrett, Becky Wickes, Laura Reynolds and Kathryn Lowry.

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