



Friends of Redhill Primary Academy - Chairperson's Report 2019-2020

What a school year 2019-2020 was.

Spooks and pumpkins in October, more fabulous fireworks in November, a toy story party in February and ran a make your own sporky contest with entries coming in far and wide!



Sadly, in March all of our events came to an end and we decided to focus on helping the elderly and vulnerable in our community by collecting food and essential items to deliver with Age UK. The response was

incredible! Finally, even though we couldn't offer a year 6 prom this year, we still ensured they would leave with their leaver hoodies.



The amazing effort the Friends put into everything we do is always rewarded by seeing the children have so much fun and looking so happy. In the academic year 2019-2020 the Friends have raised a fantastic **£7330.44**. These funds will contribute to the following: -

- Purchasing the new Pastoral Care Room, The Pembroke Room
- Towards the upkeep of the mini bus

For 2020-2021 The Friends will be fundraising for a **new outdoor classroom or staging area** to help our teachers take more lessons outside.

Yet again, I would like to thank Mrs. Whiting and the Governors for giving me the freedom to try new ways to raise these funds and to her staff at School for their constant support.

It's been such a difficult end to this year and each and every one of the families and children in our school have been affected in some way by the devastating results of the coronavirus outbreak.

The work of the pastoral and well-being team at Redhill is needed now more than ever, and we are so very proud to be able to complete the purchase and installation of this room this year. We know it will go such a long way to help all of our children, especially those who may be struggling with the current new way of life.

To all the parents, carers and children at Redhill. You help us to put the fun into fundraising and we truly appreciate all the support that you show us each year. Thank you.

To all the office staff who help us out behind the scenes, taking too many calls from me and of course, Kevin Maddy, Redhill's caretaker, thank you all.

Finally to the team of friends. I'm so proud, especially this year, of this group of passionate people who selflessly give up their time and work tirelessly to produce the most incredible events every year, come rain or shine. Without you, none of these fabulous totals would be raised for all of our children. Thank you all, with much love, as always.



Pru xxx

Our next event is a virtual pumpkin carving competition. Look out on our facebook page, Mail on Friday and flyers in book bags for more details.

As always, if anyone would like to volunteer to help at this, or any other events we host, please don't hesitate to get in touch with either myself or anyone on the Friends.