

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are back in the swing of a new school year and it's been lovely to be able to reconnect with familiar faces and welcome new parents and children to the school. We hope you've all settled in well and feel at home within our school community.

Ashurst is a C of E aided school which means we are required to provide 10% of the schools annual building work and maintenance. Friends of Ashurst Primary School (FAPS) was set up to help provide this funding and also support the school with any additional needs. Past funding has enabled us to update the I.T facilities by providing Chrome Books and Tablets for a class, a new library of books, and the less glamorous but vital sewerage systems and windows!

Throughout the year we run both small and large events. Our role is not only to provide the school with the extra funding it needs, but to go over and above our fundraising target whilst creating exciting events we can all enjoy. Our first target is to buy 14 new Chrome books to enable multiple classes to use them at the same time.

As of Thursday 23rd September (today!), we will restart our popular drinks and snacks, after Sports Club. All children, including Reception, younger siblings and those not taking part in sports are welcome to join in too. We ask for a small donation of 50p per child, per week for FAPS. This can be paid each week, or as a block for the term - £5 for 10 sessions.

In the colder months, we will also be providing hot drinks for anyone who needs warming up whilst watching!

A rota for this term will be up outside school from next week and it would be wonderful if everyone could sign up to a week - don't worry, snacks don't need to be homemade, but will need to be NUT FREE please.

A date for your diary:

South Downs Concert Band @ Steyning Church, Saturday 13th November – refreshments will be available from 5pm and the concert will begin at 6pm.

The children will be performing their new school song alongside the South Downs Concert Band. Food and drinks will be available. Family ticket (2 Adults and Children) £10. Additional tickets £5.

Tickets will be on sale in Oct from FAPS team and other locations in the local area.

If you have any ideas for future events or would like to get involved with helping, please contact any member of the team as we'd love to have you on board.

Many thanks,

Libby Sheldon, Dani Petersen, Kate Coppock, Nicola Gobat and Jo Herbert.  
FAPS Team