

# Who are FoES?

Friends of Ettington School (FoES) is a community of interested parties who come together to support Ettington Church of England Primary School.

We run events to raise funds which we plough back into the school. From reading books to subsidised school trips to welcome and leaving gifts to Christmas travelling pantos, FoES aims to improve and enrich every child's school experience at Ettington.

Given the current economic challenges we're all facing, we're looking at how to support pupils at Ettington school without placing unwelcome burden on family finances. If any event costs are going to cause a barrier then please get in contact, either in person or via email on [friendsofettingtonschool@hotmail.com](mailto:friendsofettingtonschool@hotmail.com)

## Upcoming FoES Dates

21st to 24th Nov - After school sale of advent candles, Christmas jumpers and raffle tickets for Smiggle advent calendars - pay by cash or card

25th Nov - Smiggle raffle draw @ Friday morning school assembly

1st Dec - Christmas Wreath making @ Ettington Community Centre

2nd Dec - Christmas Jumper Day @ School

2nd Dec 3:15pm to 5pm - Christmas Fayre @ Ettington Community Centre

6th Dec 1:30pm to 3pm - Pantomime @ Ettington Community Centre

8th Dec - last day to return Christmas Raffle stubs to School Office

9th Dec - Christmas Raffle draw

## Christmas Festive Fun - it's going to be busy!

### After school sales - 21st to 24th Nov

Find us on the playground at pick up Monday to Thursday for raffle tickets for Smiggle advent calendars. 20p per ticket or £1 a strip. Card payments or cash accepted.

There are two calendars to be won, each with over £50 worth of goods inside.

Winners will be drawn in School Assembly on Friday 25th November.

Preloved Christmas clothing and Advent candles also for sale on these days so bring extra pennies!

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## Wreath Making Workshop - 1st December

This popular event has only five spaces remaining so book your place before they're all gone!

When: Thursday 1st December, 7 - 9pm

Where: Ettington Community Centre

Cost: £35 to include professional tuition, materials and refreshments

All profits go to FoES and will be used for the direct benefit of the children

To book your place please email [friendsofettingtonschool@hotmail.com](mailto:friendsofettingtonschool@hotmail.com)

## Christmas Jumper Day @ School - 2nd December

Pupils wear Christmas jumpers to school for the day, Friday 2nd December, in exchange for chocolate/sweets for the tombola at the Christmas Fayre that afternoon

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## Christmas Fayre - 2nd December

Christmas Fayre at Ettington Community Centre, Friday 2nd December 3:15 - 5pm. There'll be a range of stalls - greetings cards, soaps, tombola and a special visit from Father Christmas himself

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## Christmas Raffle - Draw 9th December

This year's FoES Christmas Raffle is offering some fabulous prizes!

Books of 5 tickets have been sent home with each child. Please return stubs and money to school by **8th Dec** ready for the draw that will take place on 9th Dec.

You have to be in it to win it

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## School Disco - Friday 11th November

The first disco of the academic year was very successful. A popular event with the children, there were two discos after school with the school hall being transformed into a dance floor. We raised £430 from the event and next newsletter we'll share how that money has been used. HUGE shout out to John for spinning the discs, the volunteer parents and the teachers who all kindly gave up their time to look after the little dancing cherubs! Without their help these events cannot happen so we are extremely grateful.

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Gary Lissenore, Beth Cook and Lillian Jones were the lucky winners of the first draw of this year's 100 Club - congratulations all! 53 tickets have been sold for the 100 Club making £265 for FoES.

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## Meet the FoES Committee

Our committee has a number of new members, so we'd like to introduce ourselves, starting with our wonderful new Chairman, Steph Sneath (photo below). Steph and Kristine Bileskalne bravely stepped forward as Chairman and Treasurer respectively when Michelle Beaty and Angela Russell requested to step back. FoES would like to thank Michelle and Angela on behalf of the school for everything they've done in getting FoES to the great place that it is, and we greatly value their continued support on the wider committee.

Steph's daughter Florrie is in Year 1.  
Steph was keen to support FoES building on fond memories of her own mother being heavily involved in the PTA during Steph's school years.  
Steph is ably supported by the wider committee that consists of:  
Kristine (Treasurer), Anna Lea (Secretary), Harriet Martin (pre-loved uniform), Jen Luettkke (advertising design), Lucy Cooke (100 club), Emilie Harris, Jenny Houghton, Michelle Beaty, Angela Russell and Kate Hanks.

The FoES committee is also grateful for the additional support from the wonderful Class Reps, hopefully you know who your class rep is but don't hesitate to [email](#) us if you'd like us to confirm.

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## School Dates

**Children in Need Dress up Day & Parent Topic Sharing Open Classroom:** Friday 18 November  
**Year 1 Trip:** Thursday 24 November  
**Reception 2023 Open Morning:** Friday 25 November  
**Reception to Year 4 Christmas Performance @ Community Centre:** Wednesday 7 & Thursday 8 December

**KS2 Christmas Service for Parents @ Church:** Friday 9 December

**Christmas Lunch Staff & Pupils:** Tuesday 13 December

**End of Term Achievement Awards with Parents & Class Christmas Parties - in classroom:** Thursday 15 December

**Autumn Term Ends:** Friday 16 December

**Christmas holiday:** Monday 19 December 2022 to Monday 2 January 2023

**Spring term 2023**

**Term Starts:** Wednesday 4 January 2023

**Half term:** Monday 20 February 2023 to Friday 24 February 2023

**Spring Term Ends:** Friday 31 March 2023