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Dear Parents/Carers,

Next Thursday (5<sup>th</sup> October) at 3:30pm FOSSA will be holding their Annual General Meeting (AGM). This year they will be looking to appoint a new chair, secretary and treasurer.

For those of you who are unaware of FOSSA or what they do, please let us explain:

Friends of Sparhawk School Association (FOSSA) is our Parent Teacher Association that organises events and activities that raise vital funds for the school. For example, bake sales, school disco's and frozen Fridays (selling ice pops) in the summer. All these activities not only make the school year exciting but also enhance our connection with the community; with many residents and potential new parents visiting for events like the Christmas fayre and Summer BBQ. These events give Sparhawk that warm and welcoming feeling, that you have most probably experienced when visiting for the first time!

All of the money that is raised from these events head straight back into the school. Here are a few examples of what FOSSA have paid for:

- Pantomime
- New Library Books
- Year 2 School Leaver Gifts
- Incredible Egg (experiences with hatching chicks)
- Medals for the Kings Coronation
- School Trips

Most recently FOSSA have been a great help with covering the cost of the Dinosaur park trip for Year 1 and 2. Without this donation from them the school trip would have been cancelled, so we cannot thank them enough.

This is why we are now turning to you for your help in joining our army of helpers. As mentioned FOSSA will be looking at appointing a new chair, secretary and treasurer. If these are not appointed the charity will not be sustainable and this would be a great loss to the school and community. Events such as the school discos and Christmas present workshop would not take place and with FOSSA funds school trips run the risk of being cancelled in the future.

We hope to see many familiar faces at the AGM and hopefully we have a great FOSSA year filled with great events, activities and lots of fundraising!

Many thanks, All the Sparhawk Team







