

# becoming a Friends of Bowes CLASS REP for Nursery or Reception



## Interested? get in touch with Nessa or Benita, contact details below

Class Reps enable parents to be full members of the Friends of Bowes. They are essential in providing the communication link to fulfil the FoB goals of supporting and developing the **community** of our school and raising **money** to enhance our children's opportunities at school.

**Keeping your Class Informed** – Join the class rep's WhatsApp group for networking and support with your fellow reps. Information about FoB events and requests for help will come via this route for sharing with your class network.

Due to data protection school is not allowed to give out your class parent's contact details, so chat to your class parents and create a WhatsApp group or email mailing list to keep them up to date on FOB events etc. Remind your class parents to like FOB on Facebook [www.facebook.com/FOBnewsouthgate](http://www.facebook.com/FOBnewsouthgate)

**Meetings** – class reps can attend our informal meetings held twice a term, at school. We'll let you know when these will be taking place.

**Cake Sale** - join forces with the other class reps from your year, asking parents to donate cakes and biscuits and hold a cake sale together. Find volunteer parents to assist running the stall. Each year group hold a cake sale at the end of a Friday school day in the main playground to raise money for your year and subsidise a class trip or activity. It is possible to raise around £200. You'll be advised by FoB, via email what day your year has been scheduled to hold your cake sale and given the specific info. you need to raise lots of money for your class.

**Winter Fair** – each year group deliver a stall for the winter fair, while the choir sing. Our reps co-ordinate volunteers in organising and staffing the stall.

**Christmas Hamper** - each class assembles a Christmas Hamper during December, which is then raffled off to parents in the last week of term. Class reps ask parents to donate seasonal items, then collate and display them in a box or basket. There will be the Hamper Raffle lead who will provide the specific information and co-ordinate the resources you need to bring together a fabulous hamper. We have raised £800 in the past – surely we can manage £1000 one of these days?!

**Summer Fair Stall** - this is the biggest event in the school year, and raises around £10,000 to support the school. It takes a lot of organising and help from parents, and is only possible with a big team effort. Each class have a stall to organise, run and pack away. The rep brings the parents of your class together to plan the stall and schedule a rota of parents to volunteer their time to help set up, clear away and staff the stall during the fair. It is a fabulous time of togetherness for the whole school community.