





Hermitage and Oaktree Parents Association

Who we are...

HOPA is made possible through a group of enthusiastic volunteers with a mix of different skills, united in our commitment to building a caring community and provide our schools with additional funds to enhance the learning environment for our children.

Together we organise events and explore ways to raise much needed funds which go directly back into your schools and benefit all of our children. We fund those 'extras' not covered by basic school budgets, which make learning more interesting and exciting.

Where the funds go...

In recent years HOPA funds have paid for many things, including computer equipment, Visualisers, iPads, design and technology equipment and new books. We part-funded the construction of a new classroom at The Oaktree School and helped to refurbish the library, buy lockers and build an external amphitheatre for outside work and performances at The Hermitage school. We also funded a Wildlife Learning Garden and improved the outdoor learning areas for both schools, including canopies for those wetter days!

What we do

In the past, we have run many popular and exciting events loved by both the children, families and carers. At this time, we are uncertain of what the 2020/21 school year will look like in terms of events, so look out for news from HOPA. If you have any ideas, please join the team of creative minds to 'think outside of the box' and find new ways to build community and raise funds for the school, email: hopahelp@gmail.com

Our Eco efforts...

HOPA is dedicated to the philosophy of reduce, reuse and recycle and have committed to various schemes to drive this:

Vegware - with support from our local Co-op we have been able to replace one-use plastic cups with compostable cups, made from plants!

Local suppliers - for our events we choose local suppliers that produce less plastic waste

Terracycle - recycling and fundraising in one! We have a fabulous Eco-team who manage a collection of hard-to-recycle items, through our on-site recycling bins at school. We send it all off to Terracycle, who then donate to the school. The more we recycle, the more we raise!

Secondhand Uniform - email oaktreeuniform@gmail.com to pick up preloved school uniform

Partykit for Hire - HOPA have run a partyware hire scheme. We have cups, plate, bowls and jugs along with bunting and a few other party bits and pieces, all to hire for just £3-£4. Contact Marie Ovenden at marie_ovenden@hotmail.co.uk or visit www.facebook.com/partykitwoking for more information

Start fundraising today!

Easyfundraising

Raise funds for the school every time you shop online through easyfundraising. At no cost to you, retailers donate a % of your spend to your chosen charity on your behalf. Register via the website and start fundraising:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hopa

Terracycle recycling

Start collecting and we'll recycle as soon as we can. See next page for more details and, if you can, join the team! Email hopahelp@gmail.com

Stamptastic

Stamptastic is a great way to label your child's clothes and when you buy, HOPA gets 30% cashback.

Visit www.stamptastic.co.uk for more information and use code **GU218UU** when you make a purchase.

Co-op

As part of the Co-op Community Fund we have been able to raise money through Co-op members shopping. They have also hugely supported our eco efforts, so look out for updates on how you can fundraise through your local Co-op and membership.





Pens, felt tips,
highlighters, markers and
ink cartridges



Any biscuit, cracker & cake
bar



Any brand crisp and
multi packs



Tubes & lids



Any brand dishwasher flexible bag,
sleeve, salt bag, cleaning refills,
home cleaning wipe packets



Any brand toothbrush,
toothpaste tubes, electric
heads & packaging



Any brand face wipes, tubes, pots,
roll-ons pumps, caps, sprays, dye kits



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How you can get involved

The success of HOPA and our fundraising efforts is all down to the support from all parents and helpers.

As a parent or carer of a child attending The Oaktree and/or Hermitage Schools you automatically become a member, so we welcome you to join the team, and get involved in your child's life in school, in any way that you can.

Find out more, ask any questions, share your ideas and get involved at: hopahelp@gmail.com

Join us on Facebook...

For the HOPA Community: **HOPA - Hermitage and Oaktree Parents Association**

Look out for volunteer requests:
#TEAMHOPA

Need second hand uniform? Email:
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We look forward to welcoming you to The Oaktree School!