

Our Fabulous FRoGS... What an amazing PTA we have!

I regularly update you with dates for cake sales, film nights, non-uniform days, pre-loved uniform sales, fairs & fetes. When you support these events, not only do you support fun for the children, but you help to raise money for our PTA. When I recently wanted to upgrade some of our playground equipment, I was stunned by the huge cost involved! Prices had risen significantly and the school just couldn't afford to do it, then along came the FRoGS and saved the day!

Out with the old...

The galleon and the KS1 Trim Trail equipment has been unusable for a while, due to it being old and past its best. I had to close it for pupils a few months ago and it was finally removed this week.

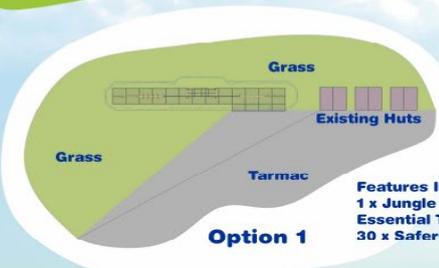


In with the new....

I have been looking at options for new equipment, which is incredibly expensive for the right, high quality installation that I wanted for our children. Thanks to an incredible contribution of **£10,000** from the FRoGS, we have been able to order **just what we wanted**.

GREAT HOLLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL **KS1**

PROPOSED PLAY AREA



Option 1

Features Include:
1 x Jungle Swing
Essential Trails
30 x SaferGrass Mats



Option 2

Features Include:
1 x Pinta Columbus Galleon
49 x SaferGrass Mats



Drop Rope TraVERSE



SaferGrass Example



Option 2



Option 1



Inclined Balance Weaver







Burma Bridge



Log Traverse





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This has only been possible because of the fundraising efforts of the FROGS volunteers and the support that is given by all our parents, carers, grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends who come along to the terrific events. I would encourage you, if you can, to strengthen FROGS by offering some of your time to help with these events - many hands make light work! To join in the fundraising fun, get in touch via Facebook, email (frogspta@gmail.com) or via the school office.

Did you know...?

Our FROGS have helped in the past by purchasing sports kits for our teams; buying new bikes and trikes for our Early Years classes; funding the Year 3/4 Trim Trail and they also supply all of the Christmas crackers for our Christmas lunch every year, as well as lots of other things, including lots of lunchtime sports & games equipment. Without them, we simply would not have the funding to be able to buy all these lovely new things for our children.

Preparing for the Next BIG Event!

The next big event on the FROGS calendar is the phenomenal Summer Fair! This is undoubtedly one of the biggest fundraising events of the school year and we are so excited to be able to have such an exciting, fun-packed event once again for all our families!

We will be having a non-uniform day on Friday 26th May and are asking for donations of items that can be used for the Summer Fair. Please see below for details, but if you have anything that you would like to donate, please get in touch!

Non-Uniform Day
26th May 2023

Your child is invited to come to school in non-uniform for a small donation to support our Summer Fair

We are looking for donations for our Summer Fair for this non-uniform day and would be really grateful for the following items, if you are able to help:

- Reception & Nursery – Bottles of Soft Drinks
- Year 1 and 2 – Multipack Sweets and Chocolate Boxes, etc for a Hamper
- Years 3 and 4 – Toiletries & Gift Packs for a Hamper
- Year 5 and 6 – Unwanted but good condition Teddies & Soft Toys

Any additional items we can use as prizes or in hampers would be greatly appreciated!

So, if there is something unused & unwanted in a cupboard at home, PLEASE consider donating it so we can raise money for the children at GHPS

In addition, we are also hoping to have a separate Bottle Tombola for grown-ups only. Now is the time to dig into your drinks cupboard and donate the odd un-wanted bottle or two so we can use them as prizes

ALCOHOL DONATIONS MUST ONLY BE BROUGHT IN BY AN ADULT THROUGH THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Thank you for helping us raise money to buy GREAT things for the children at GHPS

With love from the "FROGS"

Do you know anyone who would like a stall at the Summer Fair? There are still some spaces available so please get in touch via email, Facebook or through the school office!

The Summer Fair will take place on Saturday 24th June from 1.00pm-4.00pm, and helpers and volunteers are still needed who can go on a stall, help with setting up, packing away and lots more. If you have some time to spare on the day, please get in touch, the FROGS would love to hear from you!

Coming up on the FROGS Calendar

Don't forget that next Thursday is Year 4's turn to bring in cakes for their cake sale, which will be held after school on the Year 5/6 playground. Each year group has been challenged to see which of them will raise the most money from their cake sales and the competition is very close!



**Year 4
Cake Sale after
School – Thursday
25th May**



**Year 4 to bring in
cakes to sell,
No Nuts please**



**Year 5 & 6
playground – 3.15
till gate closing time**



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There will also be a pre-loved uniform sale held at the same time, please come by and take a look! If you are able to help out with the sales after school on Thursday, please let us know!

What does it take to be part of FROGS...?

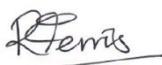
We are all FROGS – *Friends of Great Hollands School* – and we welcome any contribution from parents/carers who want to be involved with our PTA. You don't need to attend every meeting or donate hours of your time for every event. We understand that we all have busy lives and multiple commitments but if you can spare any of your time to help out with events, come along to meetings, suggest fundraising ideas, or anything else, the FROGS would love to hear from you!

You can get in touch with FROGS via Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfGHPS>, by email to frogspta@gmail.com or by leaving your details with the school office.

The next PTA Meeting will be at 6.00pm on Thursday 25th May in Gold Hall, all our parents and carers are very welcome to pop in, say hello, have a cup of tea and maybe even a biscuit or two! The FROGS would love to welcome you!

On behalf of all the children and staff at Great Hollands School, we'd like to say a huge 'THANK YOU' to our PTA for all the GREAT things they continue to do for all our pupils!

Wishing you all a relaxing weekend.



**Richard Ferris
Headteacher**



Great Hollands Primary SCHOOL FAIR

Saturday 24th June 2023
1-4pm

**£1 ENTRY
Children Free**

☆ BERKSHIRE REPTILES

☆ BOUNCY CASTLES ☆ MUSIC

☆ SOFT PLAY ☆ HOOK A FROG

☆ GIANT SOCCER DART BOARD

☆ BOTTLE HOOPLA ☆ TOMBOLAS

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