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Friends of Normanton Junior Academy (FONJA) Announcement

Dear Parents/Carers,

I'm writing to inform you that following various email correspondence, as well as a meeting with a small number of FONJA members, our Parent, Teacher & Friends Association (PTFA) will no longer operate, in its current form or structure, from January 2022.

During next halfterm, a transitional period will take place to allow a new PTFA to be created and established from the new year. In light of this, the school will now begin to lead events and fundraising, on behalf of FONJA to support its continued operation – see event details below.

I therefore would like to thank, on behalf of the entire school community, the tireless effort, achievements and success of FONJA and all members who have supported the group's work over many years. Pre-Covid, FONJA, with the support of all parents/carers, have been able to raise thousands of pounds to support your children and I truly hope that the new PTFA will be able to continue this wonderful legacy.

So...moving forward...

- FONJA's final AGM will take place on 3rd November, at 3:15pm, to which all parents/carers are welcome to attend. This will be a great meeting to attend if you are interested in helping out at school events and joining the new PTFA in the new year.
- > Next halfterm, the following events will take place during this transitional period:
 - 1. Autumn Term Disco on Thursday 4th November, from 3:10pm-4:40pm. All children are encouraged to attend and can wear non-uniform for school, on this day. £2 entry will provide a hot dog and unlimited juice/water. As usual, there will be a tuck shop, including sweets, crisps, glow bands etc. Children are welcome to bring no more than £5 spending money.

Any parents/carers/family members who are able to volunteer to help at the disco, please email the school office and we will add your name to the list - normantonjunioroffice@watertonacademytrust.org

2. **Community Mornings** will be reintroduced w/c 6th December with an obvious Christmas Theme. Previously, these mornings have been extremely popular with all our families and we can't wait to welcome parents/carers/a family member into school to spend time with your child.

During these mornings, each class will complete a Christmas themed arts & craft activity, hopefully alongside a parent/carer. The school choir will also perform a range of Christmas Carols/Songs, there will be a Tombola Stall and Raffle which school will run to raise funds for FONJA and of course, it will be the perfect time for a cup of coffee and a mince pie.





I'm sure all parents/carers will be delighted that these special occasions are returning so please make sure you put the following dates in your diary:

6 th December	9am-11am	Y3 Christmas Community Morning
7 th December	9am-11am	Y4 Christmas Community Morning
8 th December	9am-11am	Y5 Christmas Community Morning
10 th December	9am-11am	Y6 Christmas Community Morning

During next halfterm, further information regarding a new PTFA will be sent to all parents/carers and so if you feel that you can, or would like, to help run or support the new organisation, then please get in touch with me so we can have an informal chat.

As always, many thanks for your continued support of our wonderful school.

Mr Welsh Headteacher