Meet the Jeam!

Friends of Nelson Academy, is a group of passionate and driven parents and carers of children who attend Nelson Academy. We strive to work together as a team, to provide the children with additional luxuries within their school environment. We do this by organising fundraising events, introducing enterprise opportunities, and receiving kind donations from parents/carers and generous local businesses.



Alannah Johnson (Chairperson):

I joined FON because I wanted to get involved in my local community. I have been lucky enough to find a wonderful group of people, who want nothing but the best for their children and those who attend Nelson Academy. We have been able to gift children luxuries to enhance and enrich their learning, as well as provide parents/carers outside the committee, with an opportunity to contribute to the school community.

Nicola Liles (Secretary):

Hi I am Nicola and I joined FON as I wanted to help raise funds for the school that my child was attending. I have helped to arrange lots of events for the school, which has help to buy essential equipment for the children. I really enjoy being a member of the team.

Jo Clayton (Treasurer)

I'm Jo Clayton and am the Treasurer of Friends of Nelson. I have 2 children who've been through Nelson Academy, with one still attending. I've been involved with FON for a number of years and thoroughly enjoy all aspects of the role, from sharing fundraising ideas around a table to organising events and running stalls! (The tombola is a favourite of mine!) We're a really friendly team with a shared passion to give back to the school what our children get out. Contact the school for more info or to get involved!



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Sam Brooker (Volunteer):

I'm Sam & 2 of my 3 boys attend Nelson. I joined FON because I wanted to join in with the positive environment that the school creates. It has been a great way to build relationships both with other parents and the school staff too. I love getting involved in different events; helping to raise funds that every child at the school benefits from, and also helping to create that community feel. Friends of Nelson is such a welcoming group, and I am really excited for what's to come!

Louise Page (Volunteer) I have 5 children and I've been actively involved with fundraising for the last 10+ years now at the schools/Pre-School settings my children have /are attending. It's really important to me to fundraise for my children's schools because without the extra support from the fundraising, my children wouldn't have benefited from half the things they've been able to enjoy over the years. It gives you a huge sense of satisfaction to see the children, teachers and parents enjoying the things that you've helped fund.

Beckie Shepard (Volunteer)

Hi I'm Beckie, I love to raise money for worthwhile causes! My daughter goes to Nelsons and it's been a great way to get to know other parents and teachers! Love working with a great team of people and having fun at the same time as raising loads of money!

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Kelly Clarke (Volunteer)

I joined FON to help raise money for our children whilst getting to witness first hand them enjoying the events we put on and the rewards of the money we raise.

Clare Klyn (Volunteer):

Hi I'm Clare and I joined FON earlier this year. FON work incredibly hard to organise fund raising and events that will only enrich our young people's lives and I wanted to give a little something back.

Everyone offers a different skill set and although I don't have lots of time (in the physical sense) I can offer knowledge from previous experiences of being part of something similar. So don't worry if you can't commit every waking moment you don't have to, but I'm sure everyone has something they could offer: organising skills, creativity, 101 fund raising ideas the list could go on. It's a great way to get involved in the school, meet new people and be part of making wonderful school memories for all the children. Why not attend a meeting and see FON in action?

We are very grateful to have received help and support from non-committee members. Please know that you can help FON without being a member, please contact <u>Alannah, Johnson@nla.eastern-mat.co.uk</u> for further information.

