

# FRIENDS OF THORNGROVE

England & Wales · Charity number 1146936

## Details

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**Other names** FOT

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2012-04-19

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** 1) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUPILS AT THORNGROVE SCHOOL BY PROVIDING AND ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR EDUCATION ENHANCEMENT OF THE PUPILS; AND 2) TO SUPPORT SUCH OTHER GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES AS THE TRUSTEES DEED FIT.

**Activities:** Friends of Thorngrove Charity is focused on the following :- Raise money for the items that can be donated to Thorngrove School for the educational enhancement of the pupils- Raise monies for nominated national and local charities- Act as a focal point for social events that will foster a community spirit with parents, teachers and pupils

## Classification

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- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People

## Geography

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- Hampshire

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£72,633	£48,039	-	-
2024-03-31	£23,776	£14,452	-	-
2023-03-31	£54,862	£47,186	-	-
2022-03-31	£9,731	£7,239	-	-
2021-03-31	£9,055	£457	-	-

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## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Robyn Elizabeth Hedger</b>	Chair	2025-09-01
Georgina Louise Bartlett		2025-09-01
Taryn May Roberts		2025-10-01

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# Accounts

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## **Friends of Thorngrove**

### **Trustee's Report at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024-31<sup>st</sup> August 2025**

As declared in our Charities Commission status, Friends of Thorngrove Charity is focused on the following :

- Raising money for the items that can be donated to Thorngrove School for the educational enhancement of the pupils
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### **Financial Donations to other charities**

(Funds raised in 23/24 but paid in 24/25)

Cancer Research £682

Medical Detection Dogs £3535

### **Financial Donations to the school**

In June, we said goodbye to our leavers in Years 6 and 8 with a disco and social. All the pupils in these year groups were invited. Slush drinks, fruit kebabs and a buffet from the Thorngrove catering team kept everyone's energy levels up. George Hooley provided the music and a photo booth ensured everyone took home a photo to remember the night. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped on the night.

## **Fundraising**

### Summer Fiesta – June 2024

In June 2024 we held the second summer Fiesta following the success of the 2023 re-incarnation. Starting straight after school, there were the usual tombolas and traditional games but in addition there were giant inflatables provided by Super Camps. The popular Ice Cream van was back and Thorngrove parents ran the fantastic 'Pinata Bar' from early until late. We were treated to live music from some Thorngrove past pupils and feasted on a delicious supper prepared by the Thorngrove catering team. Fire pits were lit and families socialised until late. Early breakfast was served from 7am and then it was time for everyone to pack up and depart. A big thank you to the committee and volunteers for their help – we couldn't do it without you. A fantastic event!

The event raised £3293.28

### Gee Cartwright Cookery – November 2024

Parents went back to school, as Gee demonstrated how to make delicious canapes. We watched, tasted and sipped a glass of wine as she shared hints and tips on easy hosting.

A lovely evening was had by all.

The event raised £426.13

### Second Hand Ski Sale – November 2024

Parents and staff were able to sell their unwanted ski clothes and accessories, with 30% of profits going to the FOT.

The event raised £204.92

### Quiz and Curry Night – January 2025

100 staff and parents and past parents joined us to test their brain power on a fun and competitive evening. Rosie Bellman and Lucinda Thomas ran a fantastic bar service and 'Thai Dan' fed us a delicious curry. Thank you to Alex Lonsdale for being our quizmaster.

Event raised £709.32

### Rio Royale – May 2025

The ball was overall a huge success. With a larger committee and more delegation to specific jobs, this made it much more streamlined in the organising. External caterers, hire, live band, marquee and staff costs were much increased from Burns Night so the decision to increase ticket cost was made.

Sponsorship was much harder to come by, but with the huge generosity of Apple print, a successful live auction and silent auction, excellent funds were raised.

Finally, everyone enjoyed it, and the exposure for Swings and Smiles was a massive!

Event raised £17168.66

### Car Washing – July 2025

Last Summer term, the Year 2 class organised and carried out a Charity Car Wash on Sports Day, in aid of Swings and Smiles. The school community showed incredible encouragement and support for the children, with some people even choosing to donate without having their cars washed – something we are truly grateful for. The children's commitment to the job in hand was outstanding; they supported one another brilliantly, worked so hard, and showed real determination throughout the event. Thanks to their efforts and the generosity of our community, we are delighted to share that we raised 220.06 for this wonderful cause.

Event raised £220.06

## Second Hand Uniform Shop

As always, our very successful uniform shop has raised a wonderful £5109.38 across the year for the FOT (some of this was from 2023-2024 as they had a new treasurer in place). We thank all of the volunteers who give up their time to make this possible.

## **Notes from the Treasurer**

- Charity Commission return for 24/25 submitted
- Michelle Slatter is doing a great job as the Uniform Shop treasurer
- All old account holders have been removed

## Committee members 2024-2025

Chair	Hen Bridgman
Secretary & Trustee	Charlotte Higgs – resigned September 2024 Louise Bartlett – September 2024
Treasurer & Trustee	Edel Thomas
Committee Members	Caroline Green – resigned September 2024 Jules Marsh – resigned September 2024 Kat Gisborne      Natalie Upton Jess Thomas      Susie Urquhart Ruth Wilkins      Alie des Forges Claire Williams      Caroline Walters Lucinda Prince      Cathy Perowne Rosie Bellman

## FINAL FOT 2024- 25 Accounts

Transactions : 1st April 2024 - 31st March 2025

### Profit and Loss 1st April 2024 - 31st March 2025

INCOME RECEIVED	
	£ -
Second Hand Uniform 24/25	£ 4,554
Second Hand Uniform 25/25	£ 556
Christmas Fair Donation Dec 2023	£ 67
Fiesta June 2024	£ 9,103
Fiesta Direct Stripe	£ 684
DISCO	£ -
Sports Day Donation July 2024	£ 102
Quiz January 2025	£ 3,648
Quiz January 2025 - direct stripe	£ 206
Quiz January 2025 - Heads or Tails	£ 731
Quiz January 2024 Banking	£ 1,089
Gee Cartwright	£ 1,127
Ski Sale	£ 537
Winter Wonderlights	£ 2,034
Rio Royale 24/25	£ 15,929
Rio Royale 25/25	32,238.07
Car Wash	28.50
<b>INCOME TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 72,634</b>

#### Assets

Cash at bank	£ 41,790.63
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#### Liabilities

Current liabilities	£ -
	<u>£ -</u>

#### Capital

£ 41,790.63

COSTS	
	£ -
Fiesta June 202	£ 5,810
DISCO	£ 779
Quiz January 2025	£ 2,938
Ticket Tailor	£ 154
Leaving Presents	£ 152
Thank You's	£ 35
Overheads	£ 18
Gee Cartwright	£ 701
Ski Sale	£ 332
Winter Wonderlights	£ 1,905
Rio Royale 24/25	£ 3,857
Rio Royale 25/25	27,142.12
<b>COST TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 43,822</b>

### Cash Flow 1st April 2024 - 31st March 2025

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>£ 17,196.59</b>
Total Income	£ 72,633.51
Total Outgoings	£ 48,039.47
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>£ 41,790.63</b>

Bank Income	£ 72,633.51
Bank Outgoings	£ 48,039.47

GIFTS MADE	
Cancer Research	£ 682
MDD	£ 3,535
<b>GIFT TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 4,217</b>
<b>Costs + Gifts</b>	<b>£ 48,039</b>
<b>Profit or Loss</b>	<b>£ 24,594</b>

#### TO PAY OUT

<b>Swings and Smiles</b>	<b>£ 206</b>	Quiz	Donations with tickets
<b>Swings and Smiles</b>	<b>£ 731</b>	Quiz	Heads or Tails
<b>Swings and Smiles</b>	<b>£ 709</b>	Quiz	Profits
<b>Swings and Smiles</b>	<b>£ 17,169</b>	RR	Profits
<b>Swings and Smiles</b>	<b>£ 220</b>	Car	Washing

17/09/2025

To whom it may concern

**Independent Examination of the Friends of Thorngrove Accounts for 01/04/2024 – 31/08/2025**

I have now had the opportunity to look through the accounts for the Friends of Thorngrove. I can confirm that all is in order and I am happy to independently verify these.

Yours faithfully,

**B Barker**

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### **Financial Donations to Thorngrove**

In the financial year, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, we made a £15000 donation to the school towards the King Studio. This was from funds carried forward from the previous 2 years and in conversation and agreement with the Headteacher at the time, Adam King. The studio has provided a much needed additional room at the school and is used for ballet, Lamda, open mornings and match teas.

### **Financial Donations to other charities**

In consultation with the School Council, we have also made the following donations:

£147 to Guide Dogs

£1781 to I Can and I Am

These charities are chosen by the children, often after visiting speakers have come to present at school.

## **Fundraising**

It has been lovely to be fully up and running after the COVID restrictions of the previous 2 years. Please see below for a summary of this year's events.

### Summer Extravaganza – June 2022

This event was run in conjunction with Adam King's leaving tea. There was a silent auction, plus the usual tombola stalls, face painting and traditional fair games.

The event raised £2372

### Netball Tournament – September 2022

We held the popular netball tournament at the start of term, which was a wonderful opportunity to play some competitive netball and have a catch up after the summer.

Thank you to Mrs Thomas for organising.

The event raised £152

### Pet Care Enrichment - December 2022

The enrichment pet care group decided to fund raise to support their charities of choice: Island Farm Donkey Sanctuary £150 and the Cats Protection League £179.

### Present Room and Santa's Grotto – December 2022

We ran the popular present room and grotto alongside FOT Christmas drinks in the New Hall. Gifts were chosen and wrapped by a wonderful team of helpers and Santa and his elves, greeted our younger children. £665 was raised on the

evening and paid directly to the school's Just Giving page for the Brain Tumour Charity.

### Ski Sale – January 2023

In light of the first school ski trip since 2018, the FOT organised a ski sale which raised £162. In addition, the left over clothes were donated to the Syrian and Turkish Earthquake Disaster Charity.

### Burns Night – January 2023

After one of our students was diagnosed with a brain tumour in the summer of 2022, the school community pulled together to raise funds for the Brain Tumour Charity. A magnificent night of food, drinks and dancing was enjoyed by the school community, alongside an auction on the night. An astonishing 20k was raised.

Thank you to the committee and volunteers who put in a huge amount of work to make it the success it was.

Note: this was paid out in the 23/24 financial year to align with the school's payment

### Second Hand Uniform Shop

As always, our very successful uniform shop has raised a wonderful £1925 across the year for the FOT. We thank all of the volunteers who give up their time to make this possible.

## Notes from the Treasurer

- All the leading roles in the committee have changed during this financial year – see below
- Edel Thomas in the Treasurer role for 1 year after taking over from Sarah Hoare (2020-2022)
- Previously there had not been a treasurer since 2018
- Charity Commission return for 21/22 submitted
- Becoming a signatory on the account was easy as I am an existing Lloyds customer. It took longer to get a debit card which caused a few issues earlier in the year
- We need to add another Full Access Signatory to the bank account
- Uniform Shop has a new treasurer, Michelle Slatter and although she is on the finally on the account, she doesn't have online banking yet
- There are a few old account holders to be removed once a 2<sup>nd</sup> full signatory is on
- 2 unfulfilled auction prizes to be refunded
- Grotto £165 and Present Room £500 paid directly to Just Giving
- A further 20k will be donated later in the year at the same time as the school makes it's donation

## Committee members 2022-2023

Outgoing Chair & Trustee	Peta O'Brien-Day
Incoming Chair	Hen Bridgman
Outgoing Secretary & Trustee	Claire Williams
Incoming Secretary & Trustee	Charlotte Higgs
Outgoing Treasurer	Sarah Hoare
Incoming Treasurer & Trustee	Edel Thomas
Committee Members	Caroline Green
	Jules Marsh
	Jess Thomas

## FOT 2022- 23 Accounts

Transactions : 1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023

### Profit and Loss 1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023

<b>INCOME RECEIVED</b>	
Auction	£ -
Summer Extravaganza 2022	£ 7,443
Netball Tournament	£ 210
Second Hand Uniform	£ 1,925
Sports Day Donation	£ 100
Burns Night	£ 44,403
Pet Charities Fundraiser	£ 330
Ski Sale	£ 346
Christmas Fayre Tables 2023	£ 80
Easy fundraising	£ 16
Other	£ 9
<b>INCOME TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 54,862</b>

<b>COSTS</b>	
Auction	£ -
Summer Extravaganza 2022	£ 5,071
Netball Tournament	£ 58
Second Hand Uniform	
Grotto	£ 165
Burns Night	£ 22,890
FOT Christmas Drinks	£ 779
Ski Sale	£ 184
Extravaganza 2023	£ 130
Other	£ 980
<b>COST TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 30,257</b>

<b>GIFTS MADE</b>	
Guide Dogs	£ 147
I can and I am	£ 1,781
King Building	£15,000
<b>GIFT TOTAL</b>	<b>£16,928</b>
<b>Costs + Gifts</b>	<b>£47,186</b>
<b>Profit or Loss</b>	<b>£ 7,676</b>

Debtors Due £ 1,720  
Outstanding £ 330

### **Assets**

Cash at bank £34,075.16

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### **Liabilities**

Current liabilities £ -

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£ -

### **Capital**

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£34,075.16

### Cash Flow 1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>£26,398.86</b>
Total Income	£54,862.10
Total Outgoings	£47,185.80
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>£34,075.16</b>

31/01/24

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