

Friends of Flushdyke School

Meet the team!





Jo Rhodes — Chair

“My name is Jo, I've recently been appointed Chair for this lovely Friends of Flushdyke School charity. I'm really looking forward to supporting our wonderful school community, I have two beautiful children who attend Flushdyke so this felt like a great opportunity to get involved. In my working life, I am a Team Manager for a leading children's charity, working with children, young people, and families. My favourite thing to do is to enjoy the sunshine with family. I'm also a big believer in creating a safe and warm environment for children and families to grow and achieve. I'm looking forward to meeting as many of you as I can!”

Charlie Yardley — Secretary

“Hi there, I’m Charlie and I’ve been the secretary for the Friends of Flushdyke School charity for the past year or so. I’m mum to Elodie in Class 2 and Alex who is still at nursery.

Working full time, I find it really hard to meet fellow parents and feel connected to the school community when I don’t have chance to interact with people at drop-off and pick-up, so Friends of Flushdyke School has been a great way to bridge that gap. It’s been such a joy to find a group of fun, friendly and generous people to work alongside in the committee, and I’m really looking forward to meeting more parents and continuing to help provide fun and engaging events and activities to support everyone in school.”





Laura Greatorex — Treasurer

“Hi, I’m Laura, Bart’s mum and treasurer of FOF!

Many years of financial services and running my own business behind me but currently in charge of stores and procurement at a company in Dewsbury. I also have qualifications in music, internet investigations, love spreadsheets, love driving, and have my motorcycle, bus and forklift licences.

My favourite thing is travelling abroad...anywhere is an adventure! I also love music and play 4 instruments...Bart loves football like his mum and we’re staunch Arsenal supporters - happy that he’s now started playing for Ossett town gladiators and it gets us all out of bed on a Saturday morning!

I love being part of FOF and we are all in it together. It’s a great team and we’d love your input - we all chose to do this for the little ones to make their time as fun as possible 🥰 thanks for all your help and support!”

Kirsty Hagger — Trustee

“I joined Friends of Flushdyke nine years ago when my eldest daughter was in Class 1. I didn’t know anyone in the area and wanted to meet other mums. As a special educational needs (SEN) mum, I found that becoming part of this community has been incredibly rewarding. It has allowed me to meet like-minded individuals, share experiences, and access valuable resources related to parenting and supporting children with special needs. My journey has been enriched by the friendships and support I’ve found within this group.”





Nikki Dunnill — Trustee

“Hi I’m Nikki, I’m married to Chris and I’m mum to Louie in year 6 and Isaac in year 3. I joined Friends of Flushdyke when Louie was attending the nursery as I wanted him and us to get as involved as much as possible in school life. Joining Friends was a great way to do this, planning and helping out at the events we ran throughout the year whilst raising additional money for the school to provide those little extras for our children to enjoy. In addition to this I’m also a parent governor at the school. In my professional life I’m a nurse and I work at the Regional Spinal Injuries centre as the discharge sister, a job which I absolutely love. I really look forward to meeting more of our parents and helping to plan more events for our children and parents to enjoy whilst bringing our school community together.”

Lucy Mills — Trustee

“Hi everyone! I’m Lucy, married to Oliver, with three boys (two currently at Flushdyke, one hopefully starting next year). I’m a catastrophic injury solicitor, working with those who’ve suffered life-changing injuries. I’ve been a member of Friends of Flushdyke for about four years now and I’m enjoying every minute. I’m passionate about providing as much fun and as many opportunities for our children as possible, while also building and supporting the community of our lovely little school.”





Laura Phoenix — Trustee

“Hi I'm Laura Phoenix, I currently work part time as a PA and office manager for a digital marketing company in Leeds.

I'm married and have been for 9 years and I have a little girl called Meila who's 6, I also have 2 cats, Nala and Shadow.

I love to travel and I have usually got a holiday planned in, I also love to help plan events and days out.

I joined Friends of Flushdyke as I want to help create a fun environment for all the children and help support the school.”

Natalie Sinclair — Trustee

“I recently joined Friends of Flushdyke because I am passionate about creating a positive school community where all of our lovely children can thrive. I have two children at the school and volunteering allows me to have some input in deciding the opportunities our kids will have and also witness them making those memories — which is absolutely priceless. With a background in Health and Wellbeing Engagement, increasing parent connections and supporting others to get involved is important to me. It took me 3 years to have enough confidence to volunteer so I understand how many parents may feel. I’m looking forward to working together, supporting our school and raising lots of money to provide opportunities for Flushdyke’s amazing students!”

