

## **Friends of Chestnuts PTA**

c/o Chestnuts Primary School, Buckingham Road, MK3 5EN friendsof@chestnuts.milton-keynes.sch.uk Registered Charity No. 1084857

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Dear Parents and Carers,

With "Black Friday" fast approaching, and the opportunity to grab some bargains on Christmas gifts or treats for yourself, we are asking for your support whilst you shop to help raise money for Friends of Chestnuts PTA – and it doesn't cost you any extra!

We have signed up to both Amazon Smile, and easyfundraising. Both require sign up, and a few small steps to link to our fundraising efforts. But once done, the websites take care of the rest.

Here's how you can shop and support us:

## Amazon Smile

What: Amazon will donate 0.5% of qualifying purchases to Friends of Chestnuts. This includes Black Friday prices and your regular Subscriptions, too. Prices are identical to the main Amazon.co.uk website, including special offers.

How: Using your existing Amazon/Prime account, or creating a new one, you can log in to <a href="https://www.smile.amazon.co.uk">www.smile.amazon.co.uk</a> and select to support "Friends of Chestnuts"

Open the app and find 'Settings' in the main menu ( $\equiv$ ). Tap on 'AmazonSmile' and follow the onscreen instructions to turn on AmazonSmile on your phone.

## easyfundraising

What: Over 4,300 online retailers including Argos, ebay, John Lewis, Just Eat, asos, Boots, ao.com and Currys PC World will donate either £'s or % of your purchase to Friends of Chestnuts, each time you shop.

How: Click <u>here</u> and click to "Support This Cause" and follow the prompts to create an account, or sign in to your existing account and confirm that you would like to support us with your purchases.

You can either begin your shopping from the easyfundraising website by searching for a retailer or add an "extension" to your web browser to send you a prompt when you visit a qualifying website. You can find instructions for this within your easyfundraising account itself.

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To help us even further we would appreciate if you could share this with friends and family. Anyone who shops online can support our charity and help us further support the team at Chestnuts, and have a positive impact on the children's experience at school.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support, especially this year whilst things have been less than straightforward, and would encourage you to follow us on Facebook and Instagram, and join our closed Facebook group here <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/FOCPTA">https://www.facebook.com/groups/FOCPTA</a> where we hope to continue to build on our community and keep you updated and involved in our charity.

Thank you, again, for your support

Friends of Chestnuts PTA Volunteer Team



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