



Chairman's Report 2017/2018

Date: 20 June 2018

I would like to start by saying a big thank you to everyone on the Committee this year for giving your time and support to organise all the fantastic FOWs events to raise money for the school. I think we can all agree the children have enjoyed a variety of experiences which have also enhanced their learning.

Thank you to Leila for all your support in all our events and enthusiastic promotion of the wonderful work FOWs do to raise funds for the school. We also need to thank Chris and the ladies in the office who are always happy to help us.

Behind the scenes we also have to thank Su and Maria for producing the fabulous posters, flyers and newsletters for our events.

In the new year we lost our secretary Toni, who relocated to Canada. The lovely Jo Carver stepped in to this role and has been a wonderful addition to the team. Sadly, Jo will be stepping down from the role of Secretary next year but will still remain on the committee helping us with our newsletters.

We have had another busy year fund raising, with our cake sales, discos, ice skating, Christmas Fair, Pop Quiz and Easter Egg raffle. Our main event was the Christmas Fair, which was a huge success and included our popular silent auction which was tirelessly organised by Becky and Lucy.

In preparation of committee members leaving at the end of the school year, we had a new team of parent helpers take over the running of our discos and they are doing a great job. Most of our events are now managed by individuals or teams within the committee which allows the workload to be shared.

We will continue fund raising in the remaining weeks of the school year with Frozen Fridays, Sports Day and our End of Year party.

With all the funds we have raised this year, we have been able to provide a range of fun and educational workshops in Music and Science for each year group. We have provided a range of playground equipment, funds for the children to take part in the Children's Parade, Laptops and Maths equipment to enhance the children's learning.

This year we are losing a number of key Committee members, Jan and Kelly who have given up many years to help and support the committee in raising funds for the children. Their enthusiasm and energy to helping run the committee has been amazing and we thank you for everything you have done. You will be missed.

Kathryn, our Treasurer, is stepping down and has done an amazing job of keeping our accounts in order, informing us of amounts raised and spent and organising floats for events. She is also always ready to help with events and organising BBQ's and shopping orders. Thank you Kathryn.

With the loss of key committee members, it is vital we have new members join our team to continue the work of raising funds for the children.

As this school year ends, we can be proud of our achievements and look forward to the new challenges in September.

Thank you again to everyone. We could not continue to do the amazing work we do without all of your support.

Paula and Clare