

FOBS AGM

Chairpersons report by Katie Moffat

At the end of the year as chair. I look back with overall sense of pride and satisfaction for what we have all achieved.

As you are aware Tori stepped down as committee member at the end of summer term. A big thank you to her for all their support and work with FOBS during the academic year.

A massive Thank you goes to Tom Jenks who continued on the role as treasurer for fobs until the end of August this year to ensure fobs could keep running even though his girls left the school in October last year. To enable fobs to run we have to ensure that the chair & treasurer roles are filled or fobs would have to fold. Unfortunately the problem of filling these roles over the past years has always been really tricky which is a real shame as the loss of fobs to the school would really impact the children and would miss out on an awful lot of extra experiences throughout the academic year. Numerous times we have advertised the treasurer role and had no uptake within the parents. I am very grateful that Juliet has agreed to stand in for the treasurer role as a temporary measure until we can find a permanent treasurer to ensure fobs can continue running.

I am happy to continue the chair role for this academic year if I have all key roles filled & enough committee members to run

fobs, and Only if people are happy for me to continue with this role.

FOBS money has helped pay for some great experiences for the children last year. For example, pantos, zoo lab experience, school dinner for the whole school, Easter eggs, class room donations, playground equipment and lots of other things.

In terms of members within fobs I would like to thank everyone for their support last year, without members we wouldn't be able to run fobs. However we really do need to increase the helpers for events to reduce the work load of committee members and also to share the load a lot more, I am aware we always say this at every meeting and agm and struggle to improve the situation. If anyone has any ideas regarding this I would be really grateful. I Would like to say a massive thank you to Kelly who is a great asset to fobs and helps me directly to ensure that fobs is able to run and meets our constitution. A thank you to Marie who has helped me not go completely mad regarding setting up events on pta events and I'm hoping she is still willing to continue this role this academic year as that website complete drives me insane.

Our family prize bingo was really successful events and we were even able to do 2, which I'm hoping we can do again this academic year. We are looking forward to running the quiz in October. We wouldn't be able to run either of these events without Mr Preston's support, he runs these events so well and everyone likes them a big thank you to Mr Preston. Who also now is a proud owner of a bingo and a quiz master t-shirt which

was gifted to him in summer term by fobs as a way of thanking him for all his support.

We received a very kind donation of £500 from Benington Village hall to go towards our author event we have coming up in October. We were also gifted a very generous amount of £1500 from the Bowdenmoss company for our fobs shed. Darren Muscat (Amelie granddad) Very kindly designed and built our fobs shed and didn't charge us any labour costs which was amazing. Fobs shed is now very sturdy and has plenty of space and storage which makes a huge difference for us.

All the events that took place were fun and more importantly the children and families seem to really enjoy them!

Any ideas and help from people are always welcome and definitely up for trying new things this year.

Also a big thank you to Mrs Tyler who is always so supportive of all these events fobs runs and tries to attends nearly all events which is so lovely to see and really supports me as a chair which I am really grateful for. Also the teachers are currently the reigning champions of the school quiz, I wonder who will win this time? Also a big thank you to the rest of the staff at the school for their support, really is appreciate and enables fobs to run smoothly and effectively.

Thank you to everyone who has attended tonight and I hope we can have another successful year!