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## **FOWO 2023 Annual General Meeting 26/09/2023**

**FOWO Attendees:** Helen Allingham – Chair (HA), Hollie Park – Deputy (HP), Jenny Johnson – Treasurer (JJ), Sarah Shotton – Secretary (SS), Lex Holness – Staff Rep (LH), Kirsty Hubbard (KH), Rachael Huang (RH), Thomasin Clarke (TC), Dawn McKenna (DM)

**Staff Attendees:** Sian McCarthy (SMc), Hannah Redman (HR), Lex Holness (LH), Harriet Code (HC)

**Parent Attendees:** Michael Treacy, Graeme Self, Vicky Wales, Sam Palmer

**Apologies:** Lizzie Mullen

### **Agenda Items:**

#### **1. Review of 2022-2023**

- a. Activities – FOWO Chair Update
  - HA provided up update of FOWO activities in 2022/23.
  - It was a successful year and the first full year of fundraising since the Covid pandemic.
  - Majority of funding went towards the new EYFS outdoor redevelopment which has been a great success.
  - This year FOWO will need to be more careful with how it spends funds raised given the large expenditure in 2022/23.
  - FOWO is still waiting on funds from Seymours from the boards advertising the summer fair.
- b. Financial report – FOWO Treasurer update
  - JJ gave a full update of the FOWO financials for the academic year 2022-2023 (see appendix below for full details)

#### **2. Voting in of new committee**

- Three members of the FOWO committee are standing down this academic year – Kirsty Hubbard, Dawn McKenna, Charlotte Brockway and Thomasin Clarke. Lex Holness is also stepping down as teacher representative.
- The new 2023-2024 FOWO committee were proposed and seconded and unanimously voted in by all present. The committee is comprised of:

Chair: Helen Allingham  
Vice chair: Hollie Park  
Treasurer: Jenny Johnson  
Secretary: Sarah Shotton

General committee members: Caroline Smart, Lex Holness, Lizzie Mullen, Rachael Huang, Vicky Wales

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## **Appendix 1**

We made income of £16,741. Costs associated with raising these funds were £8,987.

Donations to the school this year totaled £11,974 including:

- £7,910 for the EYFS Outdoor Area
- £1,202.90 for an Anti-Bullying Workshop
- £1,000 for Year 4 Delight
- £500 for an Author Visit
- £345.45 for the Year 6 Leavers Celebration
- £179.90 for the Coronation Celebration
- Christmas Books
- Year 2 School ties

The Christmas and Summer Fairs made profits of £2,890 and £1,042 respectively. The school discos, which were held at the beginning and end of the school year made just over £695 profit in total. This was after having made the decision to keep ticket prices low in order to offer an experience to all families. Our popular break the rules day made £810. The Christmas Cards designed by the children continues to be a good money maker with a profit of £621. Cake and Uniform Sales raised a profit of £938. Finally, the Quiz Night and Spring Bingo generated £377 and £260.

Overall, for the year there has been a loss of £3,875. However, this is due to the substantial donation of the EYFS outdoor area, which was in part funded by cash held on the account from previous years' fundraising.

The closing cash balance on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022 was £3,150.05.