



Friends of Westgate
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Annual Report from the Chair – 2017/ 2018

We are very happy to say FOW enjoyed a very busy and successful year, with all the usual fundraising activities, plus a few new ones thrown in just for fun! The BBQ/ Treasure Hunt, Bingo Night and Roller Racing were all successful and very popular additions to the FOW calendar. As usual all events held this year were well attended and we can't thank enough all the volunteers who contributed their time, made donations, baked, sewed and painted etc. – without you we wouldn't be able to run our events and raise as much as we have – a heartfelt **thank you** to you all.

Review

The following events took place and raised/ contributed the indicated amounts:

- **BBQ/Treasure Hunt** - £155.88
- **Roller Racing** - £1086.10
- **Halloween Disco** - £235.79
- **Victorian Fair** - £965.05
- **Christmas Cards** – £202.50
- **Cake Sales** - £272.36
- **Guess the Weight of the Cake** - £78.90
- **Curry Night** - £175.00
- **Toy Sale** - £135.25
- **Easter Fair** - £2,235.49
- **Easter Bunny Visit** - funded by FOW
- **Carnival Competition/ Carnival Entry** - This is not a fundraising event and costs were covered by participant contributions/ FOW.
- **Bingo Night** - £295.75
- **Maypole Dancing Refreshments** - £73.05
- **Rag Bags Collections** - £206.00
- **Film Nights** - £80.00
- **Year 6 Leavers Book** - funded by FOW
- **Toy Library** - has been running again this year and seems to be very popular.
- **Savings Scheme** - there has been a significant increase in pupil savers this year.

Contributions

After discussion with School about their ideas and plans for the future it was decided that FOW would contribute (match fund) the sum of £5,000 towards the overall cost of the new play equipment for the playground. We also contributed towards new iPads for use in School, new books and some new toys for the Toy Library. As always we bought all the children and small Christmas present and something from the Easter Bunny. FOW also made contributions to other Charities supported by School; BASIK and Action Aid.

New Appointments

Donna Easton - Toy Library and Sarah Drake replaced by Vicki Fuller as Co-chair.

Karen Mellor – Co Chair (mrsmellor11@gmail.com)

Vicki Fuller – Co Chair (vfuller2012@gmail.com)

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