



**Friends of School meeting
Annual General Meeting
Agenda 12/01/2021
Meeting held via Zoom 8pm.**

Present:

Natalie D	Clare P	Claire T
Marie C	Dione A	Fran P
Kate O’K	Bill B	Martin
Caroline R	Leanne B	Steve C

Apologies:

Jo B
Sarah M
Jenny D

Agenda Item	Details	Action for
1.	<u>Apologies</u> Received & noted above	
2.	<u>Minutes of last AGM meeting on 08.11.19</u> Minutes circulated & approved	
3.	<u>Matters arising from last AGM</u> None noted	
4.	<p><u>Amendment / Updating of Constitution</u></p> <p>The committee circulated an information sheet regarding Parentkind’s model Constitution for all current members to read before the AGM. Anyone wishing to become a committee member must satisfy themselves as to their legal obligations according the Constitution.</p> <p>Current constitution is now 20 years old so beneficial to bring ourselves up to date. Adopting the Constitution was unanimously approved by those present.</p>	
5.	<p><u>Chair’s report 2019/2020</u></p> <p>It has been an unusual 15 months with all the excitement we felt for the year to come, has had to be reigned in and replaced with a certain amount of ‘survival mode’.</p> <p>The first lockdown saw us focus on more important matters such as becoming full time teachers to our children or taking care of shielding relatives. The idea of fundraising for a school’s PTA seemed at the bottom of our ‘to-do’ lists what with everything going on in the world. Life certainly wasn’t as we knew it!</p> <p>The things we have achieved in the last 15 months; 2019 saw us organise Santa’s visit in person, Christmas lunch & the Dorchester Casterbridge Christmas Raffle.</p>	

	<p>2020 saw us organise a 2nd hand clothing sale at the Sports Pavilion, a visit to Dorchester Library, installation of the long awaited play equipment, YourSchoolLottery was launched, PayPal, SumUp & GoFundMe all set up for contactless payments. We ran a Halloween Trail, DIY Christmas card designs, another successful Rotary Raffle (we even had a winner!), a Christmas goody bag was organised for each child (funded by Milborne Parish Council), an age related book for each child was bought & wrapped, we recorded a Christmas song for our Facebook page and we arranged a super special visit from Santa.</p> <p>While we have had to keep things ‘ticking over’, it has had its challenges and certainly wasn’t what we had in mind when we took over the reins from Caroline 15 months ago. Whilst this year may have lacked the usual fundraising events, it has still been a fun and enjoyable time.</p> <p>Thank you again for all your help, involvement and commitment through a very testing time.</p>	
6.	<p><u>Treasurer’s Report</u></p> <p>Accounts for the year ending Sept 2020 were presented and approved. During 2019/2020 academic year £3320.01 was raised.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Election of Committee</u></p> <p>The Committee was proposed and elected as follows; Co-Chair– Marie Chappell Co–Chair – Natalie Dennis Vice-Chair – Kate O’Kelly Treasures – Bill Britton Secretary – post still vacant Committee members; Dione Leanne Clare Fran Jo Sarah</p>	
8.	<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <p>The class WhatsApp group was discussed. It was felt some parents may not be aware these exist and are not included. It was felt this was useful and necessary during lockdown and as all classes were well represented at the AGM, all those present have been asked to contact people they knew were not in the groups to ask if they would like to be included.</p>	ALL
9.	<p><u>AGM closed at 20:25</u></p>	

11.	<u>AOB</u> NIL	
12.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING AGM TO BE CONFIRMED COMMITTEE MEETING TO FOLLOW	