



CHAIR REPORT

LEAF has been busy putting on some great events this year. Our events are successful and well attended. We keep it simple to the things that work such as discos and events for the summer term and Christmas. Leechfest was again a huge success and a way of showcasing the talent available at this school. Going forward a this will be replaced with a music gala which will concentrate on the Children achievements throughout the year.

The October, February and June/July discos are always well attended. Each disco has different theme which the children enjoy. We are lucky to have great DJ's that we can call on and the children always have a fantastic time. Many thanks to Tursha Miles and her team selling tickets before the event and running the event on the day. LEAF appreciate the help the Teachers and other staff make to attend the discos.

Christmas fayre's always does well. In November we held a very successful event. It is lovely to see the classroom stalls and the children willing the take part in the event.

This year May Fayre proved to be more of a challenge than normal. Mrs Davenport made the correct choice to move most of the event indoors. After a quick reworking of the plan, all of the stalls were moved into the school. We tried to carry on with the area events, but the Gymnasts got very wet. The Fairground ride and bouncy assault course/castle could not be used. People still came and everyone had fun even in the rain.

In July 2018 we held the third Leechfest. The event was enjoyed by all and was a wonderful way to show the talent of the children at school, those that have left and their parents. A special thank you to members of the Dad's Band. We would like to acknowledge the efforts and hardwork that Chris Hussey has put into organising Leechfest over the past 3 years. He has been the driven force behind the event and has given up a lot of his time to produce at high quality event that had given children new opportunities. Thank you, Chris.

Going forward we have a blueprint of how to run and organise each event. This means that the run up to the events can be smooth and it is easier to identify the help that is needed. In order to help maintain this and to help LEAF complete all the statutory elements of being a charity and a Friends organisation, LEAF have employed a Clerk. Sandra Bailey has left this post and the work has been covered by Mrs Wellcome. We will be looking for a new Clerk in the near future with office experience. This will be advertised in due course.

We would like to encourage people to step forward to become part of the committee. Jobs can be split up and with the Clerk in place, being on the committee is not such a big job anymore. The main type of jobs that are needed are setting things up before events such as sticking raffle tickets on jolly jars, wrapping hampers, encouraging people to help on the day, getting raffle prizes, setting up the event and tidying up, being the co-ordinator on the day, being the main contact for the external stall holders on the day etc.

We would also like to thank Mrs Davenport and the staff at Leechpool for supporting all the events. We are fortunate that we can all work together for a common goal. We are very lucky that the staff are happy to

It is amazing to see what some of the money that we have raised has gone towards. The small things such as a extra maths resources or a contribution to the pantomime that give the children such fun and learning experiences, to the large purchases such as the Music Box and play areas. Without LEAF, the children would not have these amazing spaces which are the envy of other schools. Let's keep putting in the effort to raise more money so that more children can enjoy the benefits

Leaf Financial Report March 2019
Financial year 2017-2018 & 2018-2019

LEAF continue to hold a healthy bank balance as throughout the year we raise good amounts of money with our events. I will cover the financial year of 17/18 and partial 18/19.

With any organisation there are running costs.

GO THROUGH COSTS

In the last two financial years, fundraising efforts have been excellent. During 17/18, almost £17.5k was raised and this year we are on course for another good year.

Fundraising is helped by gaining match funding at some of our events. Thanks to those who have contributed in this way. If anyone else has access to match funding, please let me know.

It is important to purchase items which help LEAF in their fundraising. These items have been purchased over the last financial year and a half.

TALK THROUGH PURCHASES

Since September 2017 LEAF have contributed approximately £49k to school projects.

TALK THROUGH PROJECTS

In the future LEAF will continue to contribute to enhancing the outdoor environment for the children.

TALK THROUGH FUTURE PROJECTS

The bank balance is currently approximately £19k. We have the latest disco and music event to bank.

