

Chair Report – AGM February 2017

As I reflect on the last year, we have had another successful year of fund raising. The children continue to love cake breaks and discos. The Christmas Bazaar was another magical day with lots of positive comments from parents and finally the sun shone for the fete and we finally got our fly over!

During the 3 years of being on the Committee, FOSS have raised funds to purchase 2 x Smart boards, stage lighting, the bike and scooter shed, maintain the outdoor play equipment and provide each class with new board games at Christmas time. FOSS have also continued to contribute towards the leavers BBQ & books and contribute towards school trips.

Over the years teachers have taken their pupils on various trips to enhance their education. The most recent request for funding is for a trip to Woburn Safari Park for KS1. The whole trip will cost £1891.20, which would cost parents £17.84 per child. FOSS have contributed £831.04 towards the trip, which will bring the cost down for parents to £10.00 per child.

The funds raised really do benefit all of our children.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank a few people;

Miss Gilbert for her continued support and advice which is always gratefully received.

The TAs who give up their time to help with the cake breaks and helping at the Fete.

The Teachers for their support, especially with the discos and again helping at the Fete, without you, the Fete would not be able to go ahead.

The Office Staff for putting up with my constant emails of wants!

Mr Bate, who is always willing to help, whether it be for the use of his trolley, fixing the shed roof, unlocking the school on fete day to checking the shed for mince amongst the jumble!

The parents for continuing to support our events.

Finally, I'd like to say a huge thanks to the committee members for all of their hard work and support over the 3 years.

When I joined 3 years ago I had never been on a committee, let alone be Chair and it was all rather daunting.

One evening, I sat in my kitchen with Louise and the x chair discussing the fete and what we had to do. Lou and I looked at each dumb founded not knowing where to start! But we all pulled together and I can't thank you all enough.

We have had many laughs, a few tears, raised money for our school and made very good friendships.

Thank you!

Without FOSS our Children will not only miss out on the 'fun stuff' but also the extras that compliment education.

On behalf of us all, thank you for all of your support over the last 3 years.

I wish the new committee good luck and hope they find it as much fun as we have.

There really couldn't be a better time to join FOSS – there is a diary full of events, the Fete is nearly organised – so come on board!

Apologies:-

Mrs Bradley

Sorcha Rayner – has expressed an interest to join FOSS

Caroline Burrell – has expressed an interest to join FOSS