

Treasurers Report 1st May 2015 to 30th April 2016

Another great year of fundraising activities for the school, started with a glorious day for Rock the Boat 2015. With the weather on our side, we made a great profit of just over £4,000 up by approx. £900 on the wet day from the previous year. This annual event gets amazing support each year, with great ongoing profits and the committee should be very proud of.

The second big event organised is Fireworks evening in November, weather unfortunately was against us this year, but even with this a profit of approx. £3,300 was made only £90 down on previous year. For the second year running we brought in external catering, which helped us concentrate on other areas such as tombola and great flashing novelty item stall, to increase profit.

Another event was a quiz and chips night which helped bring in approx. £250 profit.

Ongoing money earners included Bags2school, Ks1&Ks2 discos, sports day refreshments and the Christmas play raffle, brought in approx. £1,300 up on previous year mainly due to the Christmas raffle.

Purchasing was up on the previous year, with us supporting the upgrading of ICT suite at £6400 and outdoor learning area £2000. We also funded theatre visits, dance workshops, chickens, instruments and classroom expenditure.

Club 200 is still bringing in a profit, with a transfer of £2,200 being made into main account during the year to support ongoing funding to the school. The balance at the end of tax year was £515.

The main bank account held healthy balance at end of financial year of £8350, putting us in strong position for supporting projects within the school going forward.

Chair's Report for the Year 1st May 2015 – 30th April 2016

The FOBS team, during this financial year to the 30th April 2016, have run mostly without a Chair. The previous Chair, Siwsan Jones, stayed involved and guided the team through its events during the year.

The two main events in the calendar were Rock the Boat 2015 and the Fireworks display, both still proving to be good fundraising events as Claire Welton will expand on in her Treasurer's Report. Other smaller events such as the KS1 and KS2 discos and Bags 2 School are popular and continually help to top up the funds. The Club 200 had an overhaul by Claire Welton and we hope to see this grow in profit and become more successful in the future.

Support for the school from FOBS in this year saw a fantastic re vamp of the ICT suite, trips to the theatre and the improvement of the outdoor learning area. Fun was also had by all who attended 'Breakfast with a Book' in the main hall here. It was lovely to see the 'Brundall Family' in full swing enjoying lots of lovely books and breakfast together.

I would personally like to thank the whole FOBS team including those who now leave us and the newbies who have come on board the committee. I took on the role of Chair near the end of this financial year and can only praise the commitment and dedication of this fantastic team of volunteers. They pool their resources and ideas and are not shy when the big events get underway which require extra effort and help in organising the various elements that pull it all together. They have been welcoming and supportive to their new Chair. I had hoped to watch and help from the side lines and get a feel of how the FOBS team worked but this was not to be. Once I had declared my roles on 2 other committees, one being Treasurer of a Pre School all eyes in the room were on me as the team needed a Chair! It has been a steep learning curve for me but this impressive team have ensured everything runs smoothly.

We look forward to supporting the school with funding for their future projects and ideas, with an odd tweak to this well-oiled FOBS fundraising machine.

I will now hand over to our Treasurer, Claire Welton, for her report on the Year.