

## Chairs Report 2022-23

The friends of Salhouse School (FOSS) are a registered charity (1026473) which is run by a committee elected each year at the Annual General Meeting. The objective of FOSS is to support the school by providing additional facilities or materials for pupils that are not normally provided by the Local Education Authority through fundraising and social events and further relationships between the pupils, teachers and parents and the wider community.

22-23

### **Fund Raising**

For the past year we have provided the following fundraising.

Uniform Bank – reuse, recycle which is amazing and rewarding to help the environment and parents, this has been run by Carrie who does a great job in making sure all items are sorted, washed and ready for sale each term. Non – uniform at the end of term generates approx. £120 each time.

Bake Sales – these are held during the winter months and the introduction of a competition element has proved successful which each cake sale making approx. £100 at each sale.

Ice Cream and Ice lolly Fridays- These have been held over the summer months and we have benefitted greatly by the donation of many ice lollies free of charge, we have been supported by the local community of the storage of these lollies and we have also been donated a larger freezer to store these within the school kitchen. Each sale is generating on average approx. £50 at each sale.

Christmas Fayre – This was held mainly outside and has proved successful, involving all pupils, parents, and teachers, we managed to secure generous donations for the raffle, and the introduction of the Santa's grotto was very popular with the children, this was greatly supported by the teaching staff in decorating the grotto and making it very magical for all who visited. This event raised £850.40.

Summer Fayre – It was great to see the whole school involved within this event, the weather unfortunately let us down to begin with but did brighten as the day went on. We had the new introduction of the children's talent show that was very popular and greatly enjoyed by all who participated. We also hired two bouncy castles and children very much enjoyed playing on these. There were lots of support and help on the day and prior, with collaboration being seen between, parents and teachers. This event raised £1186.

Bingo Night – We held a very successful adults only bingo night which involved cash prizes and a reasonably priced bar, this proved very popular within the local community with villagers also attending and supporting the school, this was well supported by both parents and school raising a brilliant £720. This is due to be held again later this month due to popular demand.

Quiz Night – This was held also as an adult only event again with a bar, there were several quiz rounds and again was supported by both parents and teachers, also attended by the local community, and raised £350.

Other Fundraising – School tea towel sales and FOSS Lottery.

### **What that gave us to help the school**

Globes for the whole school - £226

Whole school trip to Hippodrome for Christmas and again planned for this forthcoming Christmas - £968.

Mr Lever's Class trip to Strangers Hall - £135

KS1 Trip to the Cathedral - £275

Leavers Hoodies - £409

Chinese Dance Day - £599

Planetarium - £525

Easter Eggs for the whole school and Fledglings - £186

Christmas Crackers - £60

Selection Boxes for the whole school and Fledglings - £186

We also provide school disco's for the children which are held on average every six months.

### **Helpers**

We have a core parent group that help across all aspects of FOSS. Each parent giving their time to attend meeting, fund raising and arranging events.

There have been changes to the team around FOSS since last years AGM with myself taking over as joint chair alongside Jodie and many more parent helpers coming on board, having more people supporting us has helped us to be successful, raise money and support the school.

Our Team –

Chairs – Jenny Cushing and Jodie Wardle

Treasurer – Leon Egmore

Secretary – Orla Cobb

Thankyou to Sophie, Nicola, Sonja, Helen, Carrie, Jemma Masters, Jemma Egmore, Natalie, Katie, Shirley and Derek, Paul Wardle, Matt Cushing, Katie A, Kate and Dean, Alistair, and many more that help.

A big thankyou also to Katrina for all your support from school it is much appreciated.

We continue to need more parents or carers to be involved in the running of FOSS as a minimum we need 15-20 parents that are willing to help in some way. You do not have to give a large amount of time to FOSS and it is the small bits you can do that can really help the bigger achievements.

### **Year Moving Forward 22-23**

We are well into way of planning for our forthcoming Bingo night on the 24<sup>th</sup> November however we do require a bingo caller so if anyone is able to volunteer or knows of someone that could help

please let us know. We are hoping to hold a Christmas Fayre and will start planning further events into the new year.

If you would like to join FOSS please don't hesitate to get in touch via the email below or alternatively in person with one of our committee at the school gate.

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