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Chairperson's report for the academic Year 2025/2026

It's hard to believe it has been 12 months since I took the role of Chair of the FOTC following the previous chair and secretary stepping down at the last AGM. We have been a very small committee for a number of years but have had a great calendar of events in 2025/2026. We have some wonderful volunteers who have assisted us at many events through the year and we thank them. As an organisation our aim alongside our fundraising is to provide opportunities to the children that their families may not otherwise be able to afford and we ensure our events are inclusive.

2025/2026

Just prior to the AGM at Nov 25 we had a uniform sale on parents evening in October where we put out an honesty box for donation for uniforms which was successful. Following the AGM held at November 2025 the committee including the new chair and secretary got straight into the organisation of the Christmas fete with other committee members and volunteers with massive support from the school staff. The children enjoyed visiting Santas Grotto and we also had an ice-cream van and farm on site as well as Christmas craft activities and many different stallholders. It's always a successful event.

This was followed shortly after by the Christmas shops which allow all year groups to purchase gifts with their own money for their families prior to Christmas. These shops were offered over 2 days with a mop up on the Friday for any children who missed out on the previous 2 shops. We also provided funding to allow the children to make Christmas decorations in class.

January 2026 saw a treat for all the children in form of a pantomime of Snow White which the children thoroughly enjoyed.



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The children thoroughly enjoyed our school disco which was split into 3 discos in March 2026 run by Crazy M and was a big success.

This was followed in the same week by our prize giving for the best Easter Bonnets in each class which was judged by the Chair and the deputy head with some very tough competition.

In the same month of March, we also ran our Mothers and others day shop for all the children over 2 shops with a mop up shop and we repeated this in June for Fathers and others in June.

We also funded some lunch trolleys for the school after receiving a request from Natalie Preston the deputy head.

A few other things we funded include new games and equipment for Shooting Stars after a request from Mark Wartnaby who had visited the club and made an observation that the older children could benefit from some other games including a new football table.

We also received a request from Maddie Humphries to provide funding towards the school production of the Lion King which took place in the summer and were happy to oblige.

We provided our Year 6 leavers with a photo booth at their end of primary school disco which went down like a storm.

The younger children at the school enjoyed a visit and production from TV's Ridiculous Rhymes with a workshop put on for the older children. There was a lot of positive feedback from parents who spoke to their children following this event.

Our final event run in conjunction with the school with big thanks going to Natalie Preston was Cresfest the summer fete. We held the festival on a Friday night straight after school as opposed to Saturday. There were over 25



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stallholders and the choir also performed alongside some dance performances from Pique and the Lion King. This event was also a big success.

Our secretary had the fabulous idea of having Frozen Fridays in June and July where ice-creams and drinks could be purchased after school and we will definitely do this again in the next academic year.

Recruitment

We welcomed Sarah Jarvis as the secretary to the committee and welcome Lauren Prince, Odette Jacobs and Goncarlos Dias as committee members. We also welcomed back volunteers and newer volunteers including Year R parents and Aidy

Housekeeping

FOTC is a registered charity and following the last AGM the trustees were updated to remove the prior chair and secretary and include the new chair Kim Christopher and secretary Sarah Jarvis with Nick Whitmore Treasurer and Natalie Preston remaining as trustees. All insurance is up to date.

The year and beyond

We hope to continue our good work although this may be at a reduced capacity over the next 12 months so we can rebuild the committee.

Our next event which we will start to plan immediately is the Christmas Fayre which is on the 28th November.

We are hoping to support the school with funding towards refurbishment of the adventure playground which is in need of replacement. This provides enrichment to all the children.

We have committed to the children's seeing another pantomime production in Jan 2027. We also have some funds remaining for the coronation garden on site.



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Thank you!

A huge thankyou to the present committee and all the volunteers who have assisted us throughout the year and welcome to our newer members and thanks to our liaison at the school Natalie for her support with our fundraising efforts. I advised when I took the chair role that I would do it for one year to support stability of the committee but I will still remain to support the commit going forward in a reduced capacity.

Kim Christopher- Chair 30/09/2026