**FRIENDS OF WILLOUGHBY SCHOOL**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR**

**THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

**Status and Governance**

The objects of Friends of Willoughby School (FOWS) is to enhance and advance the education and experience of pupils attending Willoughby Primary School, Church Lane, Willoughby on the Wolds, Nottinghamshire (which is regarded as the principal address for FOWS) by developing effective relationships between the staff, parents and others associated with the school and by engaging in activities or providing funding, facilities or equipment to help support and advance the education and holistic experience of the pupils.

The constitution adopted on 25 February 2003, and amended on at the extraordinary AGM on 25th July 2018, remains the governing document.

FOWS was granted charitable status on 1 May 2003 (Charity Number: 1097336) and was registered with the Inland Revenue for Gift Aid shortly thereafter, with effect from 25 February 2003.

**Trustees**

At the date of this report the Trustees of FOWS are as follows:

Laura Dickinson– Chair

Susie Bateson – Secretary

Julie Abraham – Treasurer

Emma Punt

**Bankers and Advisors**

FOWS holds its main bank account with TSB. FOWS also manages a TSB bank account for the purposes of running the 100 Club. FOWS has not appointed any external advisors.

**Report 01/04/2020- 31/03/2021**

Funds brought forward at the beginning of this period amounted to £5356.25

We shall carry forward to the next financial year a closing balance of £5170.99 which is held in the main TSB account.

Income:

**Christmas Cards**

With the support of the School FOWS repeated previous years’ successful activity. Again, the children designed their own pictures in school, which were then made into cards and other products by an external company, ‘Class Fundraising.

With production costs of £385.27 and an income of £505.50, **£120.23 was raised**.

**Cook Book**

With Willoughby Cookbook1 having been published several years ago it was time to produce a another one! Recipes were collected from pupils, staff, parents, and village residents and put together in time to produce a cookbook for Christmas. Cauliflower Group was the production company used. Whilst the admin of collating the recipes was time consuming the amount raised was substantial.

With production costs of £531 and an income of £930, **£399 was raised.**

**Give as you live and Everyclick**

For a couple of years now, FOWS have been registered with a charities ‘donate as you shop’ organization called ‘Give As You Live’ or ‘Everyclick’. FOWS have worked hard to encourage as many people as possible to register on this free website. **In total £147.06 was credited.**

**Terracycle**

In its second year FOWS have collected and donated to a recycling agency Terracycle, continuing to collect items of recycling from members of the school community and the wider village community. The initiative was well supported and whilst the money may not be significant the greater environmental and learning benefit is valued. **£16.84 was raised.**

**100 Club**

We took **£666.48** in 100 club payments between 1/4/20 & 31/3/21.

Expenditure:

Water Cooler

Successful fundraising has enabled FOWS to continue the contributions made towards the water cooler £82.21.

French Lessons

For the tenth consecutive year, FOWS made a contribution towards French lessons (£386) for the KS2 children.

Parentkind

Parentkind is an annual subscription, £69, which provides insurance and support for FOWS.

Willoughby School

School resources of a laminator and Thesaurus £182.40

Christmas treats for the children at the School Fair £28.62

Leavers Hoodies

As a small school these items are more expensive per pupil. FOWS have gifted the Leaver Hoodies to Year 6 leavers of 2020 and 2021. The cost covering two years £165

New Parents Gift packs

New parents gift packs for the first day of term £35.17, a welcome gift from FOWS to parents of a child joining the school in September.

100 Club payouts

We paid £310 in prizes.

**Total income for the year ended 31 March 2020 was: £683.13 (plus £666.48 from 100 Club)**

**Total expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2020 was: £1258.40**

**Treasurer’s comment**

This financial year was dominated by government directed social distancing restrictions due the COVID 19 pandemic. Restrictions on the number of people allowed to meet in groups and bans on group indoor meeting did not allow for any social events. Whilst this meant the ability to fundraise was restricted there were also reduced expenditures, eg no annual Pantomime trip.

The amount that was raised given the significant social restrictions is excellent with the timing of the Cook Book being particularly fortuitous.

**Assets and Liabilities**

FOWS has no additional assets and no liabilities.

It is noted that there is £2387.74 held in the 100 Club bank account as at 31 March 2021. This consists of subscriptions paid into the account in readiness for the start of the third subscription year running from 1st April 2021 to 31 March 2022 and surplus from previous years running.

**The Report and attached Accounts were presented to the Committee of the Friends of Willoughby School by the Treasurer at its Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 29th September held at The Crown Inn, Old Dalby.**

Julie Abraham

Treasurer 27th September 2021