

Lower Peover Primary School, The Cobbles, Lower Peover, WA16 9PZ

## **FLPS- Annual Chair's Report 2022-2023**

Objectives of FLPS: to advance the education of the pupils of the school by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities for education at the school (not normally provided by the Local Authority) and as an ancillary thereto and in furtherance if this object the Association may foster more extended relationships between staff, parents and others associated with the School and engage in activities which support the school, and advance the education of the pupils attending it.

### **Highlights**

One of the highlights of this year was the return of the children's discos at Autumn and Easter. After several years off due to Covid it was great to be able to run these events again. Seeing the lovely time, the children had with their friends makes these events so worthwhile to us.

Secondly, it was such a joy to see the school and church community come together for the joint church/FLPS fete. Everyone that attended had a great time and we hope this is the first of many more years working closely together.

### **AGM**

Last year the AGM was conducted by zoom to allow members to attend virtually. The decision was made this year to hold the AGM in person at the Bells of Peover and to offer those in attendance a welcome drink. We hope this will encourage more parents to attend and get involved with FLPS. There will be a link for people to dial in via MS Teams if they cannot attend in person.

### **Autumn Term**

We kicked off the academic year with our popular October party at Toft, this is a wonderful opportunity for parents to come together and raise money in a laidback atmosphere. We had a DJ, a band, a raffle, and we had hot food on offer.

The children's autumn disco was the first that many of the children had experienced due to previous years being cancelled due to Covid. The Autumn disco was incredibly well attended, and all the children had a fantastic time.

### **The Autumn events raised £2,379**

### **Christmas**

Over the festive period, we ran the ever-popular gift room, the children and parent helpers both loved this event. The children choose their gifts so carefully and take such pride, it is a delight to be involved with. We also organised the annual Christmas card designs. The children love to design the Christmas sketch and I am sure many parents enjoy the surprise of seeing what comes home! Unfortunately, due to severe weather on the day of our Christmas Markets we had to take the heartbreaking decision to cancel the markets. Lots of work and expense had gone into the planning of this event so we were understandably upset. However, the school community came together in the days after the event, and we were able to offer some of the products for sale via our Facebook and Instagram pages.

We were able to donate some of the perishable items to local charities so that these items did not go to waste.

### **In total, the Christmas events and sales raised £2674**

### **Spring term**

Our spring term events started off with the return of the parents' quiz. It was well attended by many and Lucy our quiz lady did a fantastic job getting everyone into the spirit.

The Easter disco for children was fantastic, the hall had easter decorations and the children loved dancing away to the disco.

We also ran the Smarties challenge where each child gets a treat of a tube of Smarties, they are then asked to return the tube filled with as many 20p's as they can.

## **The Spring term events raised £1,197**

### **Summer Term**

It was the King's coronation during this term, so we decided to provide a small treat for all the children. We asked an ice cream van to visit and judging by the photos that we saw the children all enjoyed it! We also asked all the children to design a self-portrait so that it could be added to a tea towel to commemorate. This was a momentous success and we very nearly sold out.

For the first time ever the school and church combined their spring/summer fete to enormous success. The fete saw the children perform some fantastic dances from across the decades, the children loved the dances, and everyone enjoyed watching. There was a BBQ, afternoon tea, and children's stalls amongst others. A real family event!

Campfest which is one of the highlights of the FLPS calendar returned this year, bigger and better than ever before. We had a fantastic lineup of music, events, and games for the children (and grown-ups!) Along with stalls to buy food, drinks, and other items. It was well attended by both campers and day ticket holders.

## **Our summer events raised £7,699**

### **Funded Items**

Throughout this academic year, we approved funding requests totalling £16,081.

These included new iPads for the children, musical instruments, play equipment, books, Christmas treat for the children, A Coronation educational assembly, and the renewal of the accelerated reader scheme.

### **Goals for 2023-2024**

We are really looking forward to the calendar of events for this next academic year. The spooky disco is back, the ball is back, and Christmas will see the return of breakfast with Santa! We are excited about planning a school-wide sponsored event in late springtime and we hope lots of families will get involved. Along with all our usual events it looks set to be a wonderful year.

Funded items, we are looking to fund the educational trips that the children will go on over the course of the academic year. Along with part funding the Christmas treat for the children.

### **Summary**

We would like to thank all the families, teachers, school staff, community members, and supporters who have helped us over the last 12 months. FLPS raised £14,912.55 and this would not have been possible without your support.

Committee Members 2022-2023

Chair- Emma Fearon (Hannah Burgoyne- until November 2023)

Vice chair- Beth Binyon

Secretary- Matisse Lloyd Jones

Treasurer Clare Harding

Vice treasurers- Linda Evand and Kirsten O'Shea

School Liaison- Mr Bradley

Committee members, Laura Buckingham, Amy Johnstone, Saran Forshaw, Ash McDonagh, Hannah Burgoyne.