



Friends of Upper Arley Primary

Chairpersons Report

Date: Tuesday 8th March 2022

As many of you know Helen Morgan stepped down as Chair in September 2021 and as Vice Chair, I stepped into the role of Chair. This short report provides an overview of what the Friends of Upper Arley Primary has managed to achieve over the past year. As a small school we have a limited pool of donors and volunteers, and a pandemic to contend with so whilst the funds we have raised may seem small, I think it is something to be proud of.

Events overview 2021/22

Even with a pandemic we managed to offer a number of events/activities and the following list just some: Second-hand uniform sales, Sunflower Competition, Plant Sale, Bag2schools, Christmas Forest Fair, Christmas Raffle and we have lots more planned for the coming year.

As the treasurer's report details, we have nearly £2000.00 in the Friends account, some of which will be used to pay for the new Basketball Hoops and Balls which has been the main focus of fundraising this year. The school will be speaking to the school council for more ideas.

We have also purchased a small lottery licence which enables us to sell lottery tickets in advance and of course widens our net of victims (customers), we are also looking to set up sumup payments to make it easier for event bookings and to take card payments for events.

I would like to thank everyone who has helped for their support whether in the form of donations, attending events etc.

The following details our current committee members, and we would welcome any new members to the committee.

Chair – Karen Evans
Secretary – Bethany Crabtree
Treasurer – Tracey Layton
Louise Low – School Representative

Ordinary Committee Members;
Charlotte Beaman-Evans
Sarah Brown
Lisa Portmann
Helen Grainger



And thanks also go to occasional helpers – Jackie Mccarl, Katie Regan, Sandra (Forest School) Sue Benton along with members of school staff who have supported events in and out of school time and special mention for Mrs Hope who assists with event payments and communications.

Friends have also assisted the school in book stamping, decorating the Christmas trees and other ad hoc activities where the school has need support.

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light-colored background. The signature is cursive and appears to read 'Karen Evans'.

Karen Evans -Friends of Upper Arley Primary Chair