



## AGM October 2023

### Treasurer's Report

The financial statement has been prepared by our treasurer, Becky Ewing.

Attached is the report of the FOSS accounts at year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023.

We end the year with the following balances:

Current Assets	
Cash Tin	1,489.29
Bank Account	7,313.47
Savings Account	3,420.56
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,223.32</b>

### Chairs Review of the year

This year we were able to return to our usual calendar of activities and with support and donations from parents, grandparents, family, friends of the local community we raised a total of £7536.74 this year for the school.

We were able to hold two disco's this year, as always, hosted by DJ Gareth. The children really enjoyed being together, choosing the tunes and dancing the night away. Lots of cakes were donated and the parents and teachers all enjoyed the dance off. We also had new helpers join FOSS for the final disco and it was great to see some new faces and start building the FOSS community even more.

The Bingo Night proved to be as popular as ever and is now a key event in our fundraising calendar. Hopefully, we can try and include a quiz night this year too, to bring us all together for more fun and laughter.

There was lots of excitement for the Christmas Bazaar, along with the visit to see Santa. Feedback has been that we need to include more games and things for the children to do, so we will be looking at how we can do this for the Christmas Bazaar in December.

The summer fayre, in the words of a parent "was superb". We had the usual tombola's, bar, BBQ and raffles, along with lots of games to play, things to do, a social space to chat, eat & drink and the highlight, a visit from Salisbury Fire Service and a Fire Engine. I am sure we could have kept going way beyond the finish time of 8pm! Smiles on faces were everywhere!



Other events included 100 Club, Bags2School, Christmas Cards, Amazon Smile, Salisbury Lottery and we provided Nativity Play and Sports Day Refreshments all of which contributed to the funds available for the school.

FOSS contributed £5402.65 to school in 22/23. This was used to help subsidise school trips (£3140) for all the Children, buy books and much need equipment for all the children across the school (£1804.41) and the year 6 leavers picnic (£98.94).

I cannot say a big enough Thank You to all the staff and the army of volunteers that make up FOSS, who give up their time to make all the this happen. Thank you to the parents and friends that donate prizes and equipment for us to use at our events. Being Chair can be stressful, but when you have a community like ours behind you, you realise how lucky we are to have such a supportive community that all come together to support the school and the children.

### Committee

This year we have ran with a core committee of Sharlene Lucas (Chair & Secretary) and Becky Ewing (Treasurer). Despite being one person down, due to the great community we have at Stratford, we were still able to organise and run great fundraising events, with help from all the volunteers. I am sure you will agree, everyone has done a fantastic job this year.

I, Sharlene Lucas nominate myself to stay in the dual role until we find either someone to take over the Chair or Secretary role.

Becky Ewing has nominated herself to stay in role of Treasurer due to no further interest.

At the point of writing this report, Tom Elkins has nominated himself to join the committee in the role as Vice Chair and will be voted in on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October 2023, unless further nominations are received.

We have asked for Class Reps this year to help with informing and gathering new ideas and feedback going forward and trying to build our FOSS community.

