



Chair's Report

3rd June 2019

Dear Members

This is the Annual Chair's Report to be received at the Annual General Meeting on Monday 3rd June 2019, at 7.30pm at St Mary's School.

The 2018-19 Committee: Aims

At our first committee meeting back in September, the committee members identified three key areas, we wanted to develop: Governance, Communication and Community.

The 2018-19 Committee: Achievements

With regard to Governance, we registered the FOSM Charity and codified the practices of previous successful committees by drafting new policies and procedures, a business plan, a Trustee Handbook, and an FOSM Events Guide.

To expand the current lines of communication we updated the website, the school calendar app and Facebook pages. This is an area we still need some help with if anyone would like to volunteer. We produced the weekly Newsletters, arranged and financed the Notice Board in the playground and also ran an online poll this year in which over seventy members participated. We are also drafting a leaflet.

By making the activities of the FOSM smoother and opening more lines of communication we hoped to involve as many members as possible and strengthen the school community. We are in the process of encouraging more members to support our aims, including Alumni, extended family of current students and church members. Next week is the Summer Fun Day, and this will be the perfect opportunity to continue to develop the school community.

The 2018-19 Committee: Events

The Treasurer's report will explain the figures, but it has been a great year for activities and events; the Monthly Cake Raffle and bi-annual book fairs have continued, thanks to Rosie and Lauren. The Christmas Fair was a huge success for us as an entirely new committee and we received some excellent feedback about the atmosphere and the organisation. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped at this and the other events, including the Movie Nights and the new Spring Disco.

The 2018-19 Committee: Enrichment

This year the FOSM has raised funds for the yearly enrichment activities and resources including new books, the pantomime, Christmas party and gifts, Living Eggs Experience, Easter Egg Hunt and school trips. The FOSM Annual Project was the new playground markings.

If you have ideas for next year or would like to volunteer, contact: friendsofstmarys2018@gmail.com.

Kind Regards

Clare Pascall (*Chair of the FOSM Association*)