



Chairs Report 2024-2025

Aims of FOSS:

- To enhance education of pupils in school by developing relationships between staff and parents and others associated with school.
- To engage in activities and provide facilities or equipment which supports the school education of the pupils.

Committee history:

Used to be a very successful committee but after covid it naturally fizzled out.

A few parents picked up FOSS in 2022 and ran some low key events, just to start it back up again and keep it ticking over.

In January 2024, Lydia took over and has been in the process of getting things up to date and set up again (online banking, SUMUP, charity commission etc) with the support from Emma Fisher, as the liaison with school at the time.

In September 2024, a new committee was formed along with class reps/class WhatsApp groups. Many new events were introduced, purchases made for school and a successful first year all together.

Highlights of the past year:

- Managed to raise a huge profit of £8711 from events
- Used the Sum Up successfully (cashless events / convenience.)
- Used online platforms for selling tickets. (Track sales / easy to use / contactless.)
- Having a Treasurer
- Communicated well with parents about upcoming events through WhatsApp and Facebook page.
- Class reps enabled queries to be answered promptly
- Completed the Forest School area with outdoor learning canopy + equipment in addition to the Tipi from the previous year.

Feedback form events:

Discos (Autumn/Valentines)

- Children loved the discos this year.
- Hold 1 or 2 next year.
- Look at timings?
- Volunteers were low – would need more to enable us to run these again.

World Book Day Movie Night/Summer Movie Night

- Wonka Bars and Movie night was huge success and created a hive of excitement – Thankyou Mr Ford for dressing up. Thank you for all the time to make and wrap bars.
- Parents felt pressured into having to purchase a bar? Unhealthy?

Friday Ice Lolly Sales:

- This was VERY popular and successful.
- Member of staff to 'own' it worked really well – Thankyou Rachel!



- Rota system each week worked very well too.

Park Run

- Very popular event – sponsorship was great first time around but feel we cannot ask for sponsorship to do this event again.
- Sense of community was lovely.
- Lots of volunteers willing to help which was great!

Quiz Night

- Parents enjoyed this event, look to hold more throughout the year.
- Feedback was positive and nice to do a social with just adults.

Summer Fayre:

- Using the new field worked well in the end
- Parking on playground eased traffic
- Police car visit was a nice attraction
- Large inflatables were popular
- Token system saved dealing with cash
- Food selection and quality was great again
- Need some durable gazebos next time
- Possibly look into something different for the raffle
- Ice lollies melted
- Cakes were tucked away

Plans for coming year:

- Continue to run fun events for the children and include some new ones (colour run.)
- More social events for parents to enjoy.
- Continue with class rep system but to include Newbees Classes this year.
- Welcome more members to FOSS.
- Banner to advertise events on playground.
- Purchase welly racks for KS2.
- Complete policies and procedures as FOSS grows.