

**The Friends of St Winifred's
Treasure's Report
2016/17**

The PTA has had another successful year and is very pleased to be able to say we, with the help of the school, the parents, the children and everyone who has contributed and donated to and attended our events throughout the year have raised an outstanding £10,500.

This amount really could not have been achieved without everyone's support. It really shows what an amazing school community we have, so we the Friends would really like to thank each and everyone one of you.

As mentioned in the Chairs report, we have had some great events, from the annual quiz night to some fun new events such as ice lolly sales and the Lego swap shop.

We started of the year with £371.44 in the Friends bank account which was carried over from the previous year.

Our first event was a Welcome BBQ shortly after the beginning of term. This was a very simple BBQ that was incredibly well attended, generating a profit of £696.

The ever-popular Quiz Night, including a fish and chip dinner, raised a further £736.

The annual Christmas Disco was great fun for all the children, and raised £645, and this was followed by our second Festive Pamper Night, which gave us a further £267. The final thing we did before Christmas was to sell Christmas trees to our school parents, raising £175.

2017 began with a cake sale in February, raising £339, followed by the annual Bingo Night in March, for which the profit was £652.

The Easter Egg Hunt, also in March, was great fun for all the children, and although it's not primarily a fundraising event, we still managed to raise £150.

The Summer discos were great, despite the heat, and raised £803, and the Family BBQ, our most successful event of the year, raised £5964.

Two new events we had this year were ice lolly sales on three Fridays at the infant site in June and July, raising £112, and the Lego Card Swap Shop, also at the infant site, that was very well attended and generated £74.

We have also gained profit from second hand uniform sales, and our parents' online shopping: Easy Fundraising has sent us cheques totalling £150, and

Yellow Moon, an online arts and crafts shop that unfortunately no longer gives money back to PTAs sent us £10.

We have tried to keep our expenses down this year. Apart from paying for our licences and membership to PTA UK, we have tried to buy stock that we could sell at a number of different events, or use as prizes for games at the bingo night or summer BBQs.

At the end of last year we sorted through all of our stock in preparation for the kitchen renovation at the junior site, and will soon know exactly how much money we have in assets, and it will also prevent us from buying unnecessarily for future events – we found over 1,000 plastic knives and more plastic bowls than we were willing to count!

As always, our accounts are available to anyone who would like to look at them, and the Chair, Secretary and I are always happy to answer any questions about the Friends and our events.

I would like to thank everyone for all of their donations, for giving us their time to volunteer at events, and for supporting us the Friends in all we do. I would personally like to thank my fellow PTA members for the incredible effort they all put in this year, despite the difficulties we had along the way. Sadly we are saying goodbye to a very valuable member of the team this year, but we hope to welcome some new faces soon!