

**Goose Green Primary School  
Parent Teacher Association**

**Friends Of Goose Green School  
Registered Charity No. 1103666  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
04.11.2020 @10am on Zoom**

Attendees: Tahnee Wright (Stand in Chair), Clare Smart (Secretary), Kirsty White, Simon Wattam, Marjorie, Louise Black, Katherine Eastman, Sally Silvey, Tansy Drake, Laure Thomas, Hiwot Geremay, Ruth Coward, Piya Thongkom, Deniz, Huseyin Sapci, Eilidh Wilson, Hannah Linton, Sarah, Thoko Agbonify.

Apologies: Paul Clark, Corinne Bonfante, Gavin Silvey, Fevan, Naomi Wilce (Treasurer)

Round of introductions for all attending the meeting.

TW introduced the background and purpose of FOGGS as raising funds for the School and also helping to build a strong School community.

TW introduced herself as the stand in chair for this meeting as she was the previous Chair for 2019/2020 and the newly elected Chairs for 2020/21 were both unable to continue in the roles.

### **Ordinary business**

#### **1. Chair's Report for 2019/20**

TW spoke about the events that were held and also mentioned those cancelled due to Covid:

- September 2019 - International Night - popular evening with music, food bar and stalls.
- Fun Run - cancelled due to bad weather - to be rescheduled
- Christmas Fair - December 2019 - raised around £1500 - stalls, santa's grotto and crafts, bar, photo booth.
- Carols on the Green - December 2019 - Moved to school hall due to bad weather - mulled wine and bar, carol singing and a stall.
- Giving Tree - December 2019 - gifts donated and distributed to families in the School community who would benefit.
- Christmas Cards (using a company)- December 2019 - designed by Children and could be purchased.
- January 31st 2020 - New Co-Chairs and Secretary (CS) elected.
- Bingo Night - March 2020 - Last fundraising event held before Covid lockdown and School closure.
- Summer Term - planned events included Camp Out, Carnival, Big Dig, Bake Sales, Disco/Movie nights and others. All unfortunately cancelled due to Covid.
- Easy Fundraising and Amazon Smile are ongoing and give donations when online shopping. Regular reminders needed to get people to sign up to these.
- Athletics and Spellodrome subscriptions were funded.

- SteelPan Lessons were funded - KW spoke about the lessons and specialist teaching for this.
- Lockdown Art Gallery - artwork and creativity showcased on social media (Instagram and Facebook) throughout lockdown to help maintain the School community.

## 2. Treasurer's Report for the year ending 2019/20

NW (Treasurer) Unable to attend the meeting. Report delayed so deferred until the next meeting.

TW said that FOGGS typically raises £8-12,000 a year however this is more likely to be £3-4,000 for 2019/2020.

## 3. Election of Officers/Trustees of the Committee

### a. Co-Chair roles (x2)

Nomination for Katherine Eastman for co-chair. KE voted in by all attendees.

**Request made for another co-chair.**

### b. Co-Treasurer roles (x2)

TW voted in by all attendees as co-Treasurer.

Paul Clark (absent) voted in by all attendees as co-Treasurer.

NW term as Treasurer has ended. Thank you for all your hard work Naomi.

## Special business

### 4. School priorities for funding 2020/21

KW expressed gratitude on behalf of the School for the efforts and fundraising of FOGGS and the School Community. She added that all efforts and amounts are really valued.

KW introduced the School Priorities for funding for 2020/2021.

- Chromebooks - approx £5500 - needed as the move to more online learning during Covid and beyond and these will help all families within the School to be able to access this.
- To develop the Sports at Goose Green further by joining the London PE and Sports Network - cost of membership is £4400. This would open up leagues and tournaments and professionals. This would be for all year groups and all children at the School and a real boost to the Sports specialist teaching already happening.
- A whole School trip to the beach (post-covid). KW said that to take all the Children for a wonderful day at the beach. Estimate for Coaches - £6000

EW asked if these funding priorities were in addition to Mathletics/Spellodrome/Steel Pans and KW answered that the School will be funding these and so they will be continuing but that they wanted to have some fun and exciting new priorities to help motivate the fundraising for this year.

Sarah asked if Laptops/Tablets/Macs can be donated. KW and SW both answered that Yes, these can all be donated and that there is a way to convert older devices into ChromeBooks so they can be used.

TW asked that the minimum specification be clarified and then we can put a request out for donations via the newsletter and class whatsapp groups.

To clarify minimum specification

To post donation request in newsletter and class whatsapp groups

## 5. Upcoming FOGGS events & notable dates

KE as newly elected co-chair introduced the upcoming proposed events and fundraising.

- Christmas Cards - Already underway. Order forms to be sent home and KW working with the Office and Mr Lettington (Art Teacher) to finalise this.
- Social Media - Half Term Autumn themed creativity shared on Instagram and Facebook. Plan to offer this during all School Holidays with different themes.
- Recipe Book - a new and updated version - Spring Term 2020
- Christmas Trees - Sponsorship from local sellers - KE has local tree sellers by the EDT to agree to donate. Plans on hold until they start selling in December as covid-pending.

Confirm in December with EDT tree sellers.

- Online Quiz Event - Date TBA but to be held this term. KW and KE to discuss dates to avoid clashes - GS was volunteered as a Quiz Master by SS. Still considering how this can be a fundraiser as well as a fun social event.

Date TBC

How to fundraise

- Online Raffle - To gather donations from local businesses for prizes. KE asked for someone to develop a raffle website to avoid paying professional site charges (£200) and LT said that she may know someone and will get back to us to confirm. EW suggested also asking in the class whatsapp groups for a volunteer. Volunteers will also be needed to gather donations for prizes.

Website for raffle - to buy tickets online

Prize donations needed (also where to store?)

- Festive Trail - Christmas Holidays - not so much a fundraiser other than possibly a small charge for a map. Idea that children put pictures in the window and then follow a map to find all the pictures.
- Christmas Giving Tree - as last year. KW confirmed that School could accept gifts dropped off or delivered directly to the School and that these would be distributed to families in need.

Box needed to be at School gates at drop off for donations during December

- Musical Celebration - KE suggested a Video recording of a performance to be shared with families and possibly wider to local care homes? KW said that there are plans to have a musical celebration and KE and KW to discuss further.

Plan to be discussed between KW and FOGGS

- EW suggested a sponsored walk/run which would link with sports in School to fundraise. KE suggested that children could do part of the challenge and home and part at School. EW said Apps could track distance or Parents could confirm distance completed. KE added that it would be good to hold it on a set day to add to the sense of occasion and that the School could celebrate the success afterwards together. KE suggested dates of either 5/6th December or 12/13th December.

Confirm Date and Plan (how to collect sponsorship)

- Sarah asked how much the raffle raises usually. TW said that as prizes are donated it is usually around £800-£1000. Sarah suggested Auction alongside Raffle and there was

a discussion about this. Agreed that Auction might not be as affordable for everyone to take part. KE suggested to keep this idea for a future event as possibly better to do in person.

- TD suggested a School Shopping List and there were two website suggestions for this by LB and TD. Can have an online list of items that people can buy or contribute to part of larger items. There was a general feeling that this might be good as we can't hold events and people will want to donate. [www.patchworkit.com](http://www.patchworkit.com) and [www.donatemy school.com](http://www.donatemy school.com)

FOGGS to liaise with KW to make the shopping list

- SS suggested own clothes day / Christmas jumpers. SW said that the School reserves this for Charity days such as Children in Need/Comic and Sport Relief.

TW said that any ideas are welcome to the [info@goosegreenpta.org](mailto:info@goosegreenpta.org) email or in person when possible. Also to think ahead for the next term.

## **6. Any other business**

### **Next meeting**

Tuesday 1st December 10am on Zoom.

This will include the Treasurer's report and also an update on Festive plans.