

## FAFF Chair's Report

The main activity of the PTA has been the organisation of fundraising events, and social events to further relationships between the pupils, teachers and parents. As the treasurer report shows this has been a very successful year.

The money raised FAFF over the last year has been used in a variety of ways:

- To reduce the cost of school trips for parents by contributing to the cost of transport
- To pay for the whole school panto for 2018
- To fundraise towards a new sound system for the school hall

In our inaugural year we have organised and supported some very successful events including:

- A whole school Disco
- Nativity refreshments and raffles - Parents have benefitted from refreshments at all of the Christmas performances
- Christmas Card design
- Mother's Day Cake and Pamper Hamper Raffle
- Easter Bingo
- Easter Performance refreshments and raffle
- The Summer Fete
- Leaver's Disco and BBQ

FAFF has been particularly successful at creating sub-committees to work on individual events, we are lucky that as a committee we have been able to share the load of organising and putting on events. This was especially evident with our popular and successful Disco and the Bingo, now we need to fine tune this as we move forward into the next year to continue our success.

The Summer Fete returned with a bang in June. There were many successes and areas that we can work on so that next year will be even better. For me, the best part of the whole event was seeing so many families spending time together and enjoying the lovely hot weather. A special thanks has to go to Emma Barnes for her work supervising the BBQ, next year we must try and make sure as a committee we have members with the relevant food hygiene qualifications.

It has also been enjoyable to watch and support all the children of our school in the various performances they have put on across the year. Raffles and refreshments have been a great way of raising the profile of FAFF and raising regular funds.

Our members have given up a lot of time and effort to make sure that the events go ahead, along with the wonderful support from the school staff, who give up their hard earned free time to help us. Thanks Irrespective of whether they are still standing for officer posts or not, I would like to pay special thanks my very supportive officers - Natalie – Vice Chair, -Treasurer-Hayley and Secretary-Cathy for all their time, mostly unseen hard work and for their support. I hope that some of you will

consider being nominated for posts for either this year or in years to come. The more people we have to help, the more the work load can be shared.

On a personal note I would like to take this opportunity to say how much I have enjoyed being Chair, I won't deny that at times it's been really busy, especially during this our first year as we have been finding our feet as a committee. However it has been very rewarding and it's given me a unique opportunity to help not only my children, their friends and of course the whole school. I've got to know lots of parents and teachers as a result. A big thank you to everyone in the FAFF for all your support and enthusiasm and of course your much needed sense of humour. By no means least a special 'Thank you' to the school staff who give us so much support, especially Mr Smith, Mrs Allerston and Mr Toothill . I wish FAFF a very successful 2018 /2019 and am confident that it will be a very good year.

Katie Priestley FAFF Chair