



Chairpersons Report Oct 2024

Overview of 2023/2024

Thankyou to all of you for coming along this evening

A huge welcome to our new members that have joined us this year and to all those who have expressed an interest to get involved – we are so grateful for lots of new energy and ideas!

Yet again we have a fantastic year – full of lots of money raising, goodwill events and gestures– always with lots of laughter and smiles from not just us, but the fabulous children and families of our wonderful school

I am so so proud of you all 😊.

Some things that stand out for me this past year have to be

The Krispy Kreme donut days – watching all the kids get so excited over a donut at lunch time!

The snow event on the last day of Christmas term again with our elf, santa and snowman – looking glamorous as ever!

The brilliant week long pop up wonder woman and marvellous men shops

The Discos

The summer and Christmas fayres

The amazing circus and drama events

A huge thankyou to all of you as each of you brings your own set of skills and talents which is what makes us such a strong group – and a big thankyou to the class reps too for constantly keeping the Friends in the forefront of everyones minds

Secondly i would like to thank all our parents. They know who they are – they always step up and make a cake, donate and/or buy pre loved uniform, send in suggestions, help out at events, or rally round at the Grounds Days – it is all so massively appreciated and contributes to the wonderful community we have here at BC

Lastly I would like to thank Ms Vardy and Rose and all the teachers for being so collaborative and enabling and supportive with all our crazy ideas to raise money and smiles

I have been absolutely blessed and honoured to have had the opportunity and trust from you all to “lead” this amazing group for the past 5 years and enjoyed every second – we have raised in total

over £ 45 000!! and left some lasting legacies. For me it hasn't always been about the money raised – but the tangible other pieces the money you all raise goes to as even if an event doesn't bring in a huge amount of money, to see the smiles on the childrens faces is magical

It is time for me to step down as Lucas is now at secondary school and Ethan is in year 6 so it is time for parents with younger kids and longevity to take the reins and take this amazing group forward with current and fresh ideas and enthusiasm

I will of course be super involved this year and on hand for anything to make a smooth handover but I know who takes it on will do so with the same ethos of fun, hardwork and collaboration, creating those important amazing new events and memories for all.

It has been an absolute privilege to work with you all and to be able to make a difference and positively impact our childrens experiences at school

I cant wait to see what this next year brings for us all and will be checking in, even when Ethan finishes year 6, as I do love this school and everyone in it so very much 😊 xx