

THE FOREST SCHOOL FUND

Annual Report for the year ended 31 August 2023

The Forest School Fund is governed by a set of rules adopted 17th October 1994 and amended 17th June 2015 and is a registered charity No.1044157. Its address is The Forest School, Park Lane, Knaresborough HG5 ODQ. The charity trustees during this period were the Governors of the school, namely: -

- Mr T Mottram - Chair of governors
- Mrs A Going
- Mrs E Ireland

The object of the School Fund is to advance the education of the pupils of the school by providing or assisting the provision of education, recreational and other charitable facilities in augmentation of such facilities financed by Wellspring Academy Trust.

Extensions to Grant funding for Phase 3 of the Sports and Playground Project including MUGA were successfully applied for. This has enabled the final phase of the scheme to commence in July 2023 with an anticipated completion time of October 2023. We secured grant funding from the following charitable trusts. Some of the funds granted will be received during the next financial year 23/24.

Garfield Weston - £30,000
Persimmon Homes - £6000
Pebble Grant - Rank Foundation - £3900
Pavers Foundation - £4600
David Solomon Trust - £340
Sylvia and Colin Shepherd Trust - £1000
Bruce Wake Charitable Trust - £2000
Jazz Apples - £100
Bailey Thomas Charitable Trust - £25000
Bernard Sunley Charitable Trust - £10,000
Beatrice Laing Charitable Trust - £5000
York Childrens' Trust - £5000
Albert Hunt Trust - £15,000
Johnson Mukharjee Trust - £6500
Magic Little Grant - £500
Fernhurst Trust - £5000

We received donations from Marshall and Viggars Charitable Trust towards a drama performance in school. We have held Christmas and Easter Raffles, and sponsored events such as the Nidderdale Walk, Whole School Sponsored Walk and the Knaresborough Bed Race.

We continue to receive regular credits from the sale of Local Lottery tickets, 'Give as You Live' and 'Amazon Smile' shopping commission and 'Bags 2 Schools' termly textile collections. The Amazon Smile scheme has now ceased and no further credits will be received.

As part of Wellspring Academy Trust, our central finance department deals with the ordering of goods and payment of invoices. We therefore transfer funds from the School Fund account to Wellspring Academy Trust to cover the invoices paid centrally when payment is due.


TIM MOTTRAM
Chair of Governors & Finance

On behalf of the Board of Governors

Date 13/12/23

THE FOREST SCHOOL FUND YEAR ENDED 31/8/23

1. SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

<u>2021/22</u>			<u>2022/23</u>	<u>2022/23</u>
	Code	<u>VOLUNTARY SOURCES</u>		
£0.00	101	General Donations	£625.08	
£510.00	102	Residential Fundraising/Donations	£500.00	
£717.84	103	Knaresborough Bed Race	£513.56	
£43.83	104	Give As You Live Commission / IIC	£47.74	
£155.36	105	Amazon Smile	£192.63	
£67.58	106	Gift Aid	£55.31	
£174.00	107	Bags2School	£230.60	
£555.38	108	Sundry Income	£501.11	
£605.00	111	Donation for Gardening Equipment	£443.20	
£0.00	120	Acoustic Panels Hall	£7,103.50	
£0.00	121	School Sponsored Walk Income	£3,688.08	£13,900.81
		<u>TRADING ACTIVITIES</u>		
£552.11	109	Easter & Summer Fayres	£1,331.63	
£2,522.81	110	Christmas Raffle/Auction/Cards/Decs	£3,305.01	
£0.00	112	Woodland Adventure Shelter/Polytunnel	£6,000.00	
£21,110.82	* 113	Donations for Playground Project	£53,775.09	
£111.88	115	School Photograph Commission	£160.31	
£1,359.00	116	Local Lotto	£921.50	
£447.99	119	Photography Club Income	£0.00	
£0.00	124	Donations for All Terrain Wheelchair	£20.00	£65,513.54
		<u>INCOME FROM ASSETTS</u>		
£102.29	123	Bank Interest	£2,332.53	£2,332.53
		<u>MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS</u>		
£0.00	118	Staff Wellbeing/Gift Contributions	£0.00	£0.00
<u>£29,035.89</u>		TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>£81,746.88</u>
		<u>VOLUNTARY SOURCES</u>		
£220.15	201	Transfer to Forest Wellspring	£810.00	
£234.61	202	Knaresborough Bed Race Costs	£637.00	
£67.00	203	Gardening Equipment/Supplies	£622.65	£2,069.65
		<u>TRADING ACTIVITIES</u>		
£783.45	204	Christmas Raffle/Auction/Cards/Decs Costs	£67.66	
£0.00	205	Minibus Contributions	£2,908.95	
£0.00	206	Woodland Adventure Shelter/Polytunnel	£0.00	
£111,472.84	207	Playground Project (Phases 1-3)	£59,671.23	
£138.96	208	Easter & Summer Fayre Costs	£246.18	
£2,190.00	209	Residential Costs	£828.00	
£1,666.61	212	Food Tech Cafe Expenses	£51.25	
£171.29	213	School Photography Club Expenses	£0.00	
£378.00	214	All Terrain Wheelchair	£0.00	
£0.00	215	School Sponsored Walk Costs	£270.44	£64,043.71
		<u>MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS</u>		
£55.24	210	Gifts & Staff Wellbeing Costs	£57.93	
£234.99	211	Sundries	£569.73	£627.66
<u>£117,613.14</u>		TOTAL PAYMENTS		<u>£66,741.02</u>
<u>-£88,577.25</u>		NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)		<u>£15,005.86</u>

THE FOREST SCHOOL FUND YEAR ENDED 31/8/23

1. SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS CONTINUED

2021/22		2022/23
£169,302.60	SCHOOL FUND as at 31/8/22	£80,725.35
-£88,577.25	NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)	£15,005.86
£80,725.35	SCHOOL FUND as at 31/8/23	£95,731.21

2. STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

2021/22		2022/23
£80,725.35	Bank Balance as at 31/8/23	£95,731.21
£0.00	less unrepresented cheques	£0.00
£0.00	add outstanding lodgement	£0.00
£80,725.35		£95,731.21

3. NOTES

Work started on Phase 3 of the Sports, Playground and MUGA project in July 2023

Some grants were transferred to Wellspring Academy Trust to cover part instalment invoices during summer 2023

Grants from Albert Hunt Trust and Bailey Thomas will be transferred to WAT at the end of the project

£5000 from Screwfix Foundation and £2000 from Charles and Elsie Sykes Charitable Trust remain in the fund for Acoustic panels in the school hall

£4000 from Ninveh Trust and £2000 from CLA Charitable Trust remain in the fund for the Woodland Adventure Shelter & Poly Tunnel Project

T.S. Mottam

Tim MOTTAM

Chair of Governors

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees of The Forest School Fund

Registered charity number 1044157

On Accounts for the year ended 31.08.23

Set out on pages 1 & 2

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiners report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date:

17 April 2024

Name:

PAUL BUTLER

Relevant professional qualification or body (if any):

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT (ICAEW)

Address:

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