

2023/4 Annual Report



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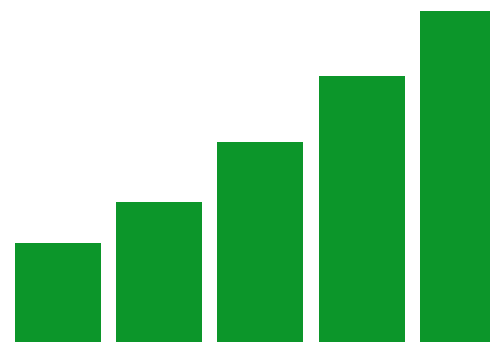
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Charity Purpose

Friends of Meersbrook Bank supports Meersbrook Bank Primary School by fundraising through donations, events, corporate sponsorship, grants & competitions.

Friends of Meersbrook Bank support the school to provide the best educational environment, resources and experiences requested from the headteacher, Mrs Harvey and school faculty.



Meet Our Team



HANNAH CONDUIT

CO-CHAIR SINCE APRIL 2023

Hannah has a daughter in Year One. With a background in sales and events Hannah was keen to join FMBS to meet other parents and initially just to help with the Christmas raffle.

RUTH HEYDON

CO-CHAIR SINCE APRIL 2023

Ruth has two son's attending Meersbrook Bank School. Ruth runs a charity supporting adults with learning difficulties.



KATIE ELLIS DOYLE

TRUSTEE SINCE MAY 2023

Katie also has two son's attending Meersbrook Bank, in Reception and Year Three. Katie works teaching Research Academics how to obtain funding, an ideal candidate!

JENNI SAYER

SECRETARY SINCE SEPTEMBER 23

Jenni has a son in Reception. Jenni works for a Special Education Trust supporting with data, quality and systems, and is also a trustee for a local museum where she runs the weddings. Jenni specialises in events which definitely comes in handy.



NIKKI STEARMAN

TRUSTEE SINCE MAY 2023

Nikki has a son and a daughter at Meersbrook Bank. Nikki is a BAFTA winning digital producer with a passion for creating playful interactive experiences for children and young people. Nikki is also a local Beaver Leader. She brings the fun!



Vision And Mission

Vision

- Meersbrook Bank School focus is currently directed at complete renovation of the current playgrounds.
- £200,000 total cost this will need to be spread over a number of years
- Support the school with ongoing donations towards educational trips, programmes and equipment to enhance learning experience

Mission

- To provide the school with the financial support they require to create the best educational experiences and environment for the students and faculty
- To complete the playground project within 5 years

Annual Financials

Total Outgoing	Total Income
£37,236.40	£40,886.20

School Donation	£34,533.99
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| Successes

Event	Total
Aviva Matched Fund	£ 9,653.74
Arctic Monkeys Prize Draw	£ 4,864.74
Corporate Sponsorship	£3,750.00
Summer Social 23	£ 2,933.25
Teacher 10K	£ 2,185.67
Christmas Fayre 23	£ 1,596.32
Tesco Blue Token	£ 1,125.00
Quiz 24	£ 1,000.64
Cat Lane Canter	£ 800.00
Bake Sale	£ 536.04
Postcode Neighbourhood Trust	£ 505.74
Local Giving	£ 317.26
Disco	£ 162.87
Colouring Competition	£ 32.25

- Aviva Matched Fund & Arctic Monkeys prize draw were major successes,
- Corporate sponsorship will continue to be a focus
- Summer Social, Christmas fayre, Quiz & Disco are annual events
- Colouring competition and bake sales can be dropped should volunteer levels remain low



| Impact

- Fully funded Phase One of the playground project
- Fully funded the wooden playground equipment for KS1 playground
- Fully funded the Brass Band Music Programme
- Fully funded the Reading Shed
- Partially funded educational school trips/visits for every year group
- Partially funded the Spanish Theatre visit
- Significant donation of school supplies



What's Next

- Corporate sponsorship from local businesses. Using contacts from the school to highlight any potentials
- Matched funding is available with a number of businesses with offices in Sheffield. Need to find people connected to the school who work within so we are able to submit a successful application
- Annual events to be repeated
 - Summer Social
 - Christmas Fayre
 - Quiz
 - Disco
- Although not a largely profitable event, the focus of the disco isn't profit. It's the experience for the children and will therefore continue to be hosted.
- Grant applications will also be made when opportunities are identified
- We are in desperate need of more volunteers. Engagement is low. Insert to induction pack provided from PTA kind for new 2024 starters
- Need a nominated person to organise bake sales - 1 per term
- Need nominated Cat Lane Canter organiser in conjunction with Carfield & Newfield. Can shadow in 2025 in preparation to take over in 2026.
- Need more trustees in order to keep Friends of Meersbrook Bank viable



| Thank You

Nikki Stearman stepped down in March as trustee but continues to be an active volunteer.

Ruth Heydon will be stepping down as trustee this month.

We thank you both whole heartedly for your contributions to a record breaking year for Friends of Meersbrook Bank.

Thank you to Mrs Harvey and the faculty at Meersbrook Bank Primary School, Your passion to consistently improve the students experience is infectious!

Thank you to Beccy Marples for your Aviva matched fund nomination & your encouragement to your colleagues to donate to FMBS. As well as the delightful Reindeer food for the students at Christmas (part of Local Giving in successes).

Thank you to the Ellis Doyle family for the Arctic Monkeys prize draw contribution.

Thank you to the fantastic Meersbrook runners: Mr Basford, Mrs Bayarri, Mrs Clark, Mrs DeMarco, Mrs Johnson, Mr Knight & Mrs Rehman for your sweat and determination to complete the Sheffield 10K.

Thank you to Andrew Hulse at UHY Hacker Young, Veezu, Pitchfork & Aviva for their most generous corporate donations!

Thanks also going to Morrisons Woodseats, Tesco Abbeydale road, Asda Handsworth, Waitrose Sheffield & Lidl Chesterfield Road for your generous contributions to our numerous events.

Finally thank you to each and every person for your involvement. Whether it be purchasing a cake at a bake sale, helping your child get sponsorship or volunteering your time at one of the events. We cannot do what we do without you!

Contact Us



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Balance Sheet 23/24

Opening balance	£8,551.62
Closing balance	£5,071.62

Category	Income	Expense	Total
Contribution	£0.00	£34,467.99	£34,467.99
Donation	£5,570.92	£0.00	£5,570.92
Fundraising event	£31,641.38	£5,877.96	£28,897.07
Running cost	£193.90	£540.25	£346.35
Total	£37,406.20	£40,886.20	-£3,480.00



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Friends of Meersbrook Bank

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1093993

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 03 / 2024**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

S Parker-Hourigan

Date:

07.02.2025

Name:

Scott Parker-Hourigan

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

N/A

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.