

Chairs report

How is the PTA run?

Welcome to FOLSS (Friends of Leonard Stanley School). We are a PTFA and registered charity run by a dedicated team of volunteers, who give up their time for free to fundraise for the benefit of the children at Leonard Stanley C of E (Aided) Primary School.

We actively fundraise to provide play and school equipment, pay towards school trips, solely fund the school swimming pool and put on events for parents and children throughout the year.

Annually we have to find £5,000 to pay for the baseline funding needs of the school (PGL coaches, Panto coaches, leaver's gifts, Christmas party presents etc.).

This year we have raised £13846 and spent £17506. More details to follow in the Treasurer's report.

Our committee is structured as follows:

- Honorary committee team: Chairs, Treasurers, Secretary
- Supported by other committee members with specific roles e.g. events, pool, publicity, grants and lottery.
- We also have Year reps for each class in school and Early Years - these people deal with year communications and funding requests

How the PTA benefits pupils

Without a PTA in place, our school would have no fundraising support. We support Christmas parties, year 6 PGL and leavers, we provide the Panto buses each year, we support individual funding request from classes.

We work closely with Mr Green, the Governors and all the teachers to understand what is needed - and we are really proud of what has been achieved this year.

Key successes from this academic year

This year has been a really positive year for FOLSS in terms of being able to run events and we have seen great support from school families - so thank you.

We have also been able to support individual classes more heavily this year - from funding gardening projects in Key stage one right up to coordinating and funding many of the Year six leavers activities. It is a huge privilege for all of us on FOLSS to be able to work closely with the school and feel we can make a difference.

I think we would all agree our biggest success this year was our first Christmas Fayre – what an amazing event that was. It would be remiss here not to mention Rob Burrows, who was launched into FOLSS with the task of organising this event, Karen Williams who coordinated the games with Year 6 and Mr Allen. A spectacular job supported by the whole team.

We've also been able to install the new climbing frame and play equipment in the key stage one play area, which the children are absolutely loving.

Another highlight of this year was the Coronation tiles that were produced by all children. Thank you to Tile Trader for supplying the tiles, Grosvenor Practice for sponsoring the pens, to Kerrie Watt for organising it all and to the teachers for making it happen – I think we all loved getting those little gifts home.

We have also had some new FOLSS committee members this year, which has been amazing.

We hugely appreciate the time and effort every member of the team puts in, even taking days off to volunteer and run events. Everyone has jobs, kids and busy lives – so thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

School pool update

As we all know, one of our biggest challenges is re-building the school swimming pool. It was a devastating decision to take having to close this year, but we simply cannot put people at risk. We had currently had some plans drawn up for the repairs and re-build, and we are working with the Governors to put those plans out to tender. As soon as we know more details we will share.

Our plan is to focus all fundraising next year on the pool – and we will be kicking this off with a Family Fun Day on Sunday 17th September.

Once we know how much we need to raise, we will be organising events, applying for grants and opening a Crowdfunding page. All help and support is appreciated so if you would like to get involved, please let us know.

Special thank yous

We have loads of people to thank this year. Firstly our committee as a whole, you have all gone above and beyond and FOLSS feels like a real team effort. Hopefully despite the chaos and stress, we all do enjoy it!

We do have a couple of extra special thank yous this year – and unfortunately those are also good byes. Our amazing Treasurer, Sonya Nobes is leaving as her kids time at school has come to an end. And FLOSS, our trust grants application and polytunnel expert is also moving on, as his lovely daughter is changing schools. Thank you both. Thank you for your dedication and commitment to supporting this school, for the hundred and hundreds of hours you have given up, and for playing such important roles (personally and professionally) on this committee. You will be sorely missed. We wish you both the absolute best of luck in the future, and we hope to see you at our events next year.

As well as our committee, there are a few additional people we'd like to mention:

- Mr Green for his unwavering support and for not minding being grabbed at the school gates every Friday. He has been a massive supporter of FOLSS over the years and it's hugely appreciated, we will miss him a lot.
- To all the teachers to come along to meetings and events – and in particular Mrs Jackson and Mrs Paget who literally never miss an opportunity to support fundraising and working parties!
- Thank you to Sue Tabb and the Governors for all their help with the pool, needless to say we couldn't do it without you.
- And also a big shout out to Dan Lade, one of our school parents – for fixing the FOLSS Shed roof.
- And to our families. Matt and David who have helped with the polytunnel, the team of FOLSS families who have joined in with working parties, helped on the BBQ – the list is endless! Most of all to our mini FOLSS committee, our children. The reason we do this and our biggest supporters who never complain when they have to stay behind or come in at the weekend!

As well as all of these wonderful people, we'd like to give a big thank you to the businesses who have supported us this year. Be that with financial donations, equipment and resources, raffle prizes etc – we couldn't do it without you.

The Year ahead

There is lots on the agenda for next year – all the normal activities with a big focus on the swimming pool. With a bit of luck, support and hopefully some large grants, we will look forward to a Grand Opening Ceremony in the summer.

How you can get involved

We're always on the hunt for more people to join FOLSS - particularly to help run fundraising events and to help with the annual raffle. Whether you want to hold a specific role or dip in and out, you are most welcome.

If you would like to get involved, contact one of the Chairs (Ally or Ellie) or email info@folss.org.uk



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date

To

Period end date

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Income	31,834	-	-	31,834	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	31,834	-	-	31,834	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	31,834	-	-	31,834	-

A3 Payments

Expenditure	21,933	-	-	21,933	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-

	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	21,933	-	-	21,933	-

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	21,933	-	-	21,933	-
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Net of receipts/(payments)	9,901	-	-	9,901	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	9,901	-	-	9,901	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds				
	Current Account	22,401	-	-
	Deposit Account	13,429	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	35,830	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds

	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
EToseland	Eleanor Toseland	10th Dec 2023



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

FRIENDS OF LEONARD STANLEY SCHOOL

On accounts for the year
ended

30 SEPTEMBER 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1094995

Set out on pages

(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 DD / MM / YYYY.

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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:

Tim Brown

Date:

14/11/2023

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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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.