FREDs AGM - 20 September 2022



Many thanks to all those who attended the FREDs AGM.

Committee Member Attendees

Anna Barefoot (AB) Jo Greenbank (JG) Julie Provino (JP) Tanya Roberts (TR)

Welcome and Introduction

JP welcomed committee and non-committee members and outlined the purpose of the meeting. JP shared the FREDs mission and strategy with the group.

FREDs is a non-profit organisation, doing what we can to enhance the experience of the boys and girls at St Edward's, being mindful of the whole community. We want to bring the school staff, children, parents and community together, giving back through social engagement.

JP highlighted that it had been great to do in person events over the last year, and it was hoped there would be more opportunity for this over the coming year.

It was noted that it would be great to increase the diversity of FREDs to represent all those who are part of the St Edward's community, including some Dads.

EVENTS

JP recapped the events that FREDs were able to carry out over the last year, with the highlights being:

- More face to face activity
- Wonder Woman and Superman sales
- Support for the Guinness World Record attempt
- Online pre-loved uniform which has moved to a new space within the school

As the Welcome Back BBQ couldn't be held last year, FREDs financed the Walk with Hawks event which was a huge success and the children at St Edward's loved it.

It was noted that the summer fete was cancelled by the school as they did not have capacity to hold it with other events happening in school around the same time.

A strong relationship continues with the school, and FREDs thank the school and staff for all their support.

A provisional events calendar has been drawn up for this year to include:

- Christmas Cards, Mugs etc.
- Christmas afternoon event
- Wonder Woman Sale
- Easter Gift
- Superman Sale
- Summer Fete

These are all tentative as they are subject to FREDs having enough funds and volunteers to be able to run them.

FREDs would also like to support an activity in the Spring term to support the school's Theme of Investigation 'Our Planet' again – if anyone has any ideas they are asked to submit them to FREDs.

Finances

AB provided a report on the finances for 21/22, highlighting what monies were made and how it has been spent.

The Covid-19 pandemic continued to have an impact on the world through 2021/22. For FREDs it has meant we have been unable to put on many of our usual annual events, such as the Welcome Back BBQ at the start of the school year and the Christmas Film Afternoon. However, this year we were able to bring back the Wonder Woman and Superman Sales. Alongside uniform sales and the 'Christmas Card/Gift designing' event these were our principal funding raising opportunities for the year as, unfortunately, this year we were unable to proceed with the annual Summer Fete. The fundraising total for the year was £851.05.

Our biggest purchase this year was the triumphant Guinness World Record attempt, which saw the St Edward's Community come together and demonstrate just what can be achieved when we work together. This purchase came to £1,160.76 net of the funds achieved through the sale of certificates and commemorative books. In addition, after the success of last year's 'Walks with Hawks' this year FREDs paid for a second event at the start of this year in place of the usual BBQ. In total our purchases for the year came to £1,776.60.

Together these transactions have reduced our funds available balance by £925.55 and we have a commitment to host the Welcome Back BBQ on 30th September, which normally costs around £400.

The table below sets summarizes the transactions for the year.

21-22 Financial Summary	
	Net Total
Opening balance	
bank account	2,062.67
cash	84.95
Total Funds Available	2,147.62
21-22 Transactions	
Guinness World Record	-1,160.76
Walks With Hawks event	-275.00
Xmas Activities/Stock	-132.73
Wonder Woman/Super Man Sales	271.02
Uniform Sales	389.63
Oliver	55.25
Other Expenditure/Income	-72.96
Closing Position	1,222.07
check to bank/cash	
bank account 04-09-22	550.32
cash	659.00
add square purchases made but not posted to bank as at 04-09-22	12.75
	1,222.07

It was noted that the cash in hand is to be transferred to the bank (we had kept cash as a float for the summer fete).

AB reiterated that if we want to continue to run events, we need fundraising and volunteers to support the events.

Committee

JP gave an overview of each role in the committee and responsibilities. The following were confirmed in post:

Position	2021/2022	2022/2023
Chair	Julie Provino	Julie Provino
Secretary	Tanya Roberts	Tanya Roberts
Treasurer	Anna Barefoot	Anna Barefoot
Events Coordinator	Available	Available
Head of Comms	Jo Greenbank	Jo Greenbank
Fundraising Coordinator	Available	Available
On-line shop Coordinator	Tanya Roberts	Tanya Roberts
Committee Member		Chiara Bernini-Thompson Ling-Ling Morris-Ashton Shilpa Gojanur

Parents were encouraged to continue to support FREDs and if anyone is interested in the fundraising, events or general committee roles, to contact fredspta@gmail.com or chat to one of the Committee Members at the Welcome Back BBQ or school gate!

