

## Chair's Report

### Friends of Barnoldswick C of E School

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#### September 2016 – July 2017

The Friends have continued their support of Church school by raising money and organising social events for the benefit of pupils, parents and staff to enhance the education of its pupils. This school year was again a successful year of events and raised a total of **£5137.02** through various events throughout the year.

A very big thank you to those members who have managed to spare their time to fulfil leading roles within the organisation; our Vice chair, treasurer, Advertising/PR team and refreshment team.

I would also like to recognise all those parents/supporters of the school who gave up their valuable time to attend the meetings and help at our organised events. The help is greatly appreciated from our team of dedicated helpers and those who cannot make the meetings yet still offer their valuable help at our events on the day. Your help is greatly appreciated and vital to the continuity of our fund-raising programme.

I would like to thank Mrs Ellis, Miss Moulden and the staff who have volunteered their time to events run by the Friends and for their continued guidance in utilising the funds raised for the enrichment of the children's school experience.

This was the third year in our new school building. We are still on a learning curve with utilising the space and the ever-growing number of children. Our rapidly growing school means we must grow and adapt continually as an organisation. As the school continues to grow, profits from fundraising also need to grow as do the range of initiatives used by the Friends of Church School to raise vital funds. This must be the focus for us in the coming year as well as recruiting new members.

Included is a breakdown of fund raising events and monies raised but may I take this opportunity to thank all those involved for your hard work and support this last year and look forward to another enjoyable and profitable year of fundraising for 2017/2018.