

Friends of Launton School update year to 25th April 2019 General meeting summary highlights

We were registered as a charity in April 2018

Registered for gift Aid May 2018

- Massive participation from parents 40% of families helped
- 90% participated/attended events/voted
- Over 2,000 people supported the school through voting, attending, supporting, sponsoring
- Raised £24,000 this year the equivalent of what was raised in the previous 5 years. Broadly we generated this income in three categories:
 1. This was through revamping and re energising our core fundraising events
 - The Easter Egg hunt
 - Summer Barbeque
 - Christmas Festival
 - And other smaller events
 2. Charity status enabling Grants generation
 - Aviva voting for equipment
 - Grants for community via Councillor Corkin priority fund
 - SPARK grant for community equipment
 - OCF grant for books
 - Tesco Bags for life voting
 3. Fund raising events enabled through Charity status reach (Just giving pages)
 - Adults challenged children to an active challenge - parents achieved 10 million steps the children 32 million!
 - Parents did a 100km and 50 km walk
 - A parent ran the Chicago marathon
 - Launton school recipe book (Thank you for Parish council contributions!)

How we have helped the school

- Safeguarding – Fence at the back of the field
- Teaching – Philosophy for children Training
- Community event enabling equipment: chairs, event shelters, refreshment facilities
- Fun and learning – Playground markings
- Funds left to pay for a major contribution to the trim trail and path £15k. The school will add the funds needed to complete the project and work will start in June

We agreed at the GM commitment to the following in support of the school:

- P4C payments for training teachers £2k per year 2020 and 2021
- A new PA system
- Goalposts
- An outdoor classroom for the children – this will require a feasibility study which Mrs Paterson will undertake and revert.

Finally, many thanks to you all for the magnificent support you have provided to the children and the school whether you have helped or attended and supported events.

Thank you, Mark Williams, Chairman, Friends of Launton School