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Registered Charity Number 1174214

**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st AUGUST 2018**

## **I. CHARITY INFORMATION**

### **Trustees**

Tina Watson – Co-Chair (re-elected September 2017)

Sally Bessada – Co-Chair, Treasurer & Communications (re-elected September 2017)

Ben Smith - Treasurer (re-elected September 2017)

Henrietta Jorgensen (re-elected September 2017)

Jane Bates (re-elected September 2017)

Karen Adams (elected September 2017)

### **Registered office**

c/o The Fulham Boys School  
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London  
W14 9LY

### **Banker**

Metro Bank  
1 Southampton Row, London, WC1B 5HA

## **II. ABOUT THE FULHAM BOYS SCHOOL**

The Fulham Boys School is a Free School currently located at its temporary site in Mund Street, West Kensington, W14. For the academic year 2017/18 the school had around 440 pupils in Years 7, 8, 9 & 10.

The School's ethos underpins everything. It is geared towards boys, nurtures enterprise – business, social and personal – and is built upon the Christian Faith. It transcends backgrounds and abilities making FBS a truly inclusive school. Through the application of its Christian values, mutual respect, supportive pastoral care and inspirational teaching, every boy will be helped to find his unique talent and realise it, for the benefit of all.

## **III. OBJECTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The objects of FFBS are the advancement of education of pupils at The Fulham Boys School, in particular by engaging in activities, providing or assisting in the provision of facilities, materials, equipment or additional learning opportunities not normally provided by the Department for Education or any other Governmental body. Additionally, FFBS has the aim of fostering relations between the staff, parents and others associated with the school.

The Trustees have paid due attention to the guidance published by the Charities Commission on 'Charities and Public Benefit' and believe that FFBS benefits the children of The Fulham Boys School, their families and indirectly the wider public.

## **IV. ABOUT THE TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st August 2017

The Association of the Friends of The Fulham Boys School (FFBS) is an unincorporated UK charity, registered with HMRC. It is governed by its Constitution adopted on 20 June, 2013, as amended in July 2017. All parents/guardians of pupils attending the school are automatically members of the Association, as well as any non-parent individuals or organisations appointed by the Trustees under Sections 8(2) and 8(3) of the Constitution.

All the Trustees have children who are currently at The Fulham Boys School.

All Trustees are encouraged to keep up to date with the role and legal responsibility of a trustee.

The Committee of Trustees administers the Charity and meets at least termly with further meetings as required. The Charity's finances are reviewed by the Trustees at each Committee meeting.

The accounting policies employed by Trustees are as follows:

**Voluntary Income:** All cash donations over £50 are individually listed; The identity of donors is protected.

**Voluntary Help:** Voluntary help is not included in the accounts. FFBS is entirely dependent on the voluntary help given by its members.

**Non Cash Donations:** Donations of goods other than cash (eg: items donated to the Summer Fair) are not included in the accounts. However, the proceeds of the sale of these items are shown as income.

**Expenditure:** All expenditure incurred within the period is included in the Income and the Expenditure Account. Income and Expenditure committed but for which invoices have not yet been received is also included with a bulk contra entry and identified in the notes of these accounts.

**Fixed Assets:** FFBS has no Fixed Assets

**Investment:** Other than the current and deposit account balances, FFBS has no investments.

## **ANNUAL REVIEW**

This report covers the period 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 to 31st August 2018.

Friends of FBS had a solid year, building on last year's excellent fundraising initiatives and organising a number of additional social activities to bring parents, boys, staff and Governors together.

### **Fundraising & Social Events**

#### **Autumn Term**

The new academic year saw the arrival of 120 new boys, which equated to well over 110 new families at the school. The Committee organised a well-attended **"New Parents' Drinks"** evening in September 2017, which was held in the Beaumont Avenue building.

In December 2017 Friends **Jingle and Mingle** event was our Christmas celebration in the form of an afterschool fair. Independent traders stalls sold a variety of Christmas items and sweets and various foods. The Friends' ran a cake stall, Christmas stationery stall, a barbeque, a bar and a host of fun activities for the boys and their families. The raffle and online silent auction were incredibly well supported, both in terms of prizes donated, and high levels of bidding and ticket sales – raising over £1,700 alone. There really was a fabulous Christmas buzz and parents, teachers and students all commented on what an enjoyable evening it was. The event raised over £3,200.

#### **Spring Term**

The Quiz Night in March was a really fun and fabulous evening raising over £2,000. Over 100 teachers and parents attended to answer the questions which were fun, challenging and in some instances quite literally mind-boggling. Thanks to KJ and Henrietta for organising, to Mike, the school chef from Naked Nosh for his delicious curry (how lucky are our boys to have him feed them every day?!), and to our cool quizmaster, Alex for keeping control of our highly-competitive teams!

#### **Summer Term**

One of the ways the Friends like to give back to the teachers and staff at FBS is to lay on a huge 'tea party' for them once a year, as a small token of appreciation for all they do for the boys. This year the Staff Appreciation Tea was on 24th May and catered for up to fifty members of staff. Donations of food, drink, small gifts, cash and vouchers were given by parents towards the event, which was set up by parents from all year groups.

For the first time this year the school ran their International Fair in conjunction with the Friends. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a rich diverse cultural mix of families attending our school. Friends' Co-organiser Caroline Jupp writes; "It was a privilege to support the school with this event - a wonderful opportunity to bring and share delicious dishes from around the globe, made and brought in by the boys. New Zealand, Australia, Somalia, Italy, Jamaica, Ghana, Russia, Singapore, The Philippines, The African nations, countries across Europe and so many more were all represented. There was healthy competition from the various country tables as the boys used their Enterprise skills to market and sell their foods, raising monies which were donated to charities chosen by the boys. Friends ran a donations bar and helped organise the evenings events alongside Ms Khady Konate, who was the teacher organiser. Entertainment featured a steel drum band (sponsored by Friends) and the boys performed various musical pieces to their guests. The Friends fundraising at this event was bolstered by £1,000 Brik corporate sponsorship (board campaign organised by Sophia Wade)".

The summer term closed with our **FBStival**, a true social event which aims to capture the spirit and objectives of the FFBS and a big thank you goes to all of the parents who came together to make this a lovely end of term event for teachers, boys and FBS families alike.

Event organiser, Tina Watson, reports; "The FBStival was held on the penultimate day of the summer term, July 12th, and was the usual lively mix of live music, fine food and a buzzing bar. For the first time it was held at Beaumont Avenue on the front garden and the reception area, with the main hall taken over by laser tag. The beach bag raffle was a big success, but most of the revenue came from online sales rather than at the event. Although all who attended had a great evening, the numbers were quite low and there was a feeling among some that the event format could benefit from some reinvention next year by a new organising committee."

Our thanks again go to Sophia Wade for securing £360 corporate sponsorship from Warrener Stewart, the school's accountants which paid for the Laser tag at the event.

## **Other Fundraising / Income**

### **Gift Aid claimed from HMRC**

FFBS are registered with HMRC for Gift Aid purposes, meaning we are able to reclaim the tax paid by the donors on all their eligible donations, where we are given permission to do so. In cash terms this means that we benefit from an additional 25% on eligible donations, and are able to claim it both retrospectively from 20th June 2013 as well as going forward. We are also able to claim gift aid on sponsored events, and ticket sales that include a donation element, so this really is a worthwhile initiative and we encourage all parents to sign a gift aid declaration.

## **Easy Fundraising**

Registered with the Easy Fundraising online shopping portal we now have 51 members who have raised a total of almost £500 of “free” money; commission paid on online purchases made through the site. One parent supporter has raised almost £100 alone! As most of us buy things over the internet this is a REALLY EASY way to boost Friends’ funds. Please see our website to sign up.

## **One-off Donations and Regular Giving**

With launch of the FBS Foundation (which has assumed the responsibility for parental regular giving, and large scale fundraising) the focus of the Friends moved this year to enhancing and building upon the FBS family community. Regular givers will gradually be migrated to the Foundation over time.

## **Benefaction to The Fulham Boys School**

This year, FFBS gave a total of £56,529 to The Fulham Boys School.

These monies were allocated to The FBS Foundation, the purchase and installation of a fantastic new kiln for the Art Department, flags, banners and gazebos for the school, Foundation and Business Forum. Friends provided sponsored hospitality at various school events including Sports Afternoon and Open Evenings, we bought a slate pool table and table football game for the 6<sup>th</sup> Form Pupil Chill Out Zone and, thanks to one very generous parent, we were able to help the music and drama departments stage the school show production providing the expertise and black out materials for the wall, windows and flooring. MASSIVE thanks to all involved.

## **Thanks to All**

We couldn’t run any of these events without the generosity of parents, who support us in so many different ways. Our thanks go to all who volunteered time to help organise these events, to those who rallied around to find willing sponsors for prizes, auctions and raffles, to all who came up with ideas for tweaking tried and tested events and to those who proposed new ones. And of course to all parents, staff and other supporters who came along, with family, with friends or on their own, helping to make this past year’s events the successes they were.

Going forward, Friends needs more of these wonderfully willing volunteers. Many have given their time for five years now. They’d love to hand over – or work in tandem if needs be – with a new team.

FFBS has a key role to play in continuing to build the great community that is FBS. So please do consider how you might support Friends next year.





## **PLEASE SUPPORT THE FBS FOUNDATION IN SUPPORT OF THE FULHAM BOYS SCHOOL**

Currently around 35% of our families have set up regular giving payments, which will raise around £130,000 a year, including Gift Aid. We are hugely grateful to these parents for their donations. And we really hope you will decide to join them today.

The Fulham Boys School is an independent school. Under the terms of its funding agreement with Government, it is not permitted to charge fees for its core educational provision. Further, the school's Founders made the commitment that its full educational plan - including clubs in the extended day - will be available to all AT NO CHARGE.

This was always considered possible as the school believed it's unique ethos would attract engaged parents who would wish to support their son's education financially, and the school's budgets have always assumed active parental contributions. In the 2018/2019 academic year, around £333,000 is needed, in addition to public funding, to deliver the school's programme. This figure covers five year groups; years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11. Though seemingly large, this equates to £600 per boy, or £50 per boy per month.

You can donate either directly through your bank, using our details

**Account Name: The Fulham Boys School Foundation**  
**Account: 15385038**  
**Bank: Metro Bank, 1 Southampton Row, London, WC1B 5HA**  
**Sort Code: 23 05 80**

Or, even easier, by using your phone to scan this QR code, or via the CAF (Charities Aid Foundation) button on the home page of the Foundation website - to set up a regular or one-off donation, where CAF will even claim your gift aid for us.



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For more info on how you can increase your gift, please visit the Foundation website using the above link. Or email the Friends Treasurer at [ffbtreasurer@fulhamboysschool.org.uk](mailto:ffbtreasurer@fulhamboysschool.org.uk)