9th Oct 2026

Friends of Derry Hill School
AGM Meeting
Friday 9th October 2026 – 9:15am

Attendees – Mrs Roberts (Head teacher), Lauren (Co-chair), Ffion (Co-chair), Emma (Treasurer), Jo (Secretary) plus 37 attendees

1. **Welcome**
    a. Mrs Roberts welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced some of the exciting plans for the ear ahead including the pantomime and Opal Primary Programme, and thanked everyone for their continued support.
    b. Lauren thanked everyone for their attendance and support throughout the previous year and confirmed the meeting was quorate.
    c. Lauren sought approval of the 2025 AGM minutes, and confirmed no matters arising from it. **Decision**: Minutes approved.

2. **Chair's report - Lauren**
    a. Lauren recapped the events over the past year including: Christmas Bonanza, disco, easter egg hunt, movie night, water and wine fete stall, cake bakes, ice lolly stalls, Bowood family picnic.
    b. Lauren confirmed the initiatives that the FoDHS were able to support with their fundraised money including: £100 to each class for resources to be spent by teachers as they see helpful for their classes, leavers books for year 6, science planetarium for national science day, internet safety workshop, panto transport and Opal primary programme. The grant received from successful Tesco community grant was spent on a gardening club, fairy garden and enhancing the current outdoor play facilities, and will also be put towards future projects including Opal,
    c. Amazon QR codes are live again for this year, where resources are selected by the teachers for families to purchase throughout the year which are often used by those who struggle to support with events or by giving time.
    d. The committee is thrilled to announce the launch of the FoDHS website where you can find all our information in one place: showcasing upcoming events, funded projects, and a suggestions page for fundraising ideas or future projects.
    e. A big welcome to 4 new committee members: Jess, Jackie, Nina and welcome back to Jo – and thanks to our existing members, without which, none of the fundraising or events would be possible.
    f. A huge thank you to Lina and Emma for both their time and commitments over the past year, but who are also sadly stepping down as secretary and treasurer. Jo will be taking over the role of secretary, and we welcome volunteers for the role of treasurer later in the meeting
        i. *Lucy later volunteered to take on the role of treasurer.*
    g. Up next term we have the school disco and Christmas Bonanza, helping us to raise funds to enhance the opportunities and experiences of our children.

3. **Treasurer's report - Emma**
    a. Fundraising this year came from the Xmas bonanza and raffle: over £2,000, cake bakes and lollies: £550, disco: £295, easter egg hunt: £200, movie night: £260, and despite a shorted timeline due to hot weather, the fete: £665.

b. Indirect funding through bags for school, stikins, easy fundraising and sports day cake van raised an additional £95.
c. Spend this year our funding went towards the coaches for the pantomime trip, leavers books and internet safety workshop, leaving us with £7,800 for future activities.
d. Due to banking issues, our £1587 of Opal Primary Programme contribution which was committed in 25/26 academic year, didn't go out until the 26/27 academic year.
e. Emma sought approval of the 25/26 accounts. **Decision**: Accounts approved.

4. Committee Elections

a. Four new general committee members were elected in
b. Ffion and Lauren re-elected as ongoing co-Chairs
c. Jo was voted in as new Secretary
d. Lucy volunteered and was elected in as new Treasurer

5. Closing

a. Lauren thanked everyone for attending both in person and virtually, and all the support received throughout the year from parents, carers, families, and teachers, and closed the meeting

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