

## THANK YOU HELEN & GINA

After recently stepping down from their positions as co-chairs, we would like to thank Helen and Gina once again for all of their fantastic work in leading FOWI since March 2015, during which time they have established a great calendar of events and led fundraising of nearly £40k in only 18 months - what an amazing achievement.

**Thank you to ALL involved in fundraising efforts for the school – it is very much a team and parents effort.**

## WELCOME MELANIE & LUAN!

A warm welcome to Melanie Lottering and Luan Wheeler who have now been elected to take on the roles of co-chair. Melanie's daughter Michaela is in Chestnut and Luan's daughter Hannah is in Ash. Melanie and Luan are excited about leading FOWI and welcome all to be involved, in any capacity – from having a role on the committee or overseeing the organisation of an event, to helping with smaller jobs like counting sweets, sorting out second hand uniform or doing a stint on the bar at an event!

## WHAT DIFFERENCE IS BEING MADE BY FOWI FUNDRAISING?

- £50k+ funds raised from Feb 2014 to July 2016!!
  - £27k in Jan-Dec 2015, £14k Jan-July 2016
- £41.7k spent on a brilliant new early years playground and forest school area
  - PlayforceWoodland Climber/Surface and Balance Beams £18.1k
  - Storage sheds £1.4k
  - Forest School £10.8k
  - Sandpit £11.4k



*I like using the pulley so I can use wet sand and dry sand (Cleo)*

*I like it when I can put wet sand in the bucket and make sandcastles like at the beach (Alba)*

*I like it when the bucket goes up and down (Alex)*

**£50,000  
RAISED FEB  
14 – JUL 16**

- Remaining funds from the £50k to be used to complete necessary tarmacking in Early Years area
- In recent years FOWI funds have also been spent on:
  - Computer equipment £25k
  - Year 1 outdoor shelter £12k
  - New blinds throughout school (windows were all replaced) £10k
  - Phonics books £7k
  - Plus many more smaller items which benefit the children

## WHAT NEXT?

- £25k to fund Key Stage 1 playground development - the wooden apparatus on the main playground is outdated and needs replacing.
- Fund other smaller funding requests from the school

**NEXT TARGET**

**£25k**

for KS1 playground

## INTERESTED IN GETTING INVOLVED?

If you would like to get involved with FOWI in any way then we would love to hear from you....

- **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October** - please join us for an informal opportunity to say hello over **coffee and cake with Melanie, Luan and other FOWI members in the hall/dining room** after drop off.
- Alternatively please email Melanie [melanie.lottering@gmail.com](mailto:melanie.lottering@gmail.com) or speak to anyone else already involved with FOWI.

