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FCWS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2017 – CHAIR’S REPORT

1. This has been another good year with successful fundraising achieved at both the Summer Fete and Christmas Bazaar. We have seen the merger of Chiltern Gate School and Maplewood School to become Chiltern Wood School and the Friends of Chiltern Gate School became the Friends of Chiltern Wood School. We have made some good progress this year with our first Financial Plan agreed and the money raised has allowed us to support the school through the refurbishment of the Speech and Language Therapy team’s playroom and the purchase of new soft play equipment. I would like to thank all those parents/carers and staff who have worked very hard in support of the FCWS activities, far too many to be able to name them individually, who have gone above and beyond to make our fundraising activities a success.
2. FCWS is looking to get more parents/carers involved with our activities and this will remain a focus in 2017. The more support we get the more funds we can raise to provide our children with additional support equipment to aid their development. With this wider support, we will continue to develop more innovative ways to increase awareness of FCWS, improve the number of donations received and maximise our fundraising potential. Such ideas include using the School’s webpage to enhance visibility of FCWS activity, improve publicity through advertising booklets or leaflets and help canvas potential businesses to pick FCWS as their charity. I am excited about the opportunities ahead of us and hope to capture any ideas parents/carers and staff may have to improve how FCWS supports the school.

Thank you for your continued support,

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