**Friends of St James Primary School Weybridge**

**Chairperson’s Report**

**End of Academic Year 2019/20**

This report marks the end of my second year in the position of co-chair, and also my last as I plan to stand down due to work commitments.

Looking forward to the 2020/21 school year, Kamela Prevett plans to stay on as a co-chair, and Ian Henderson will continue as Treasurer.

Following a communication sent to the school community advertising the need for a new co-chair, Gemma Ballantine has kindly offered to take on the role for which we are very grateful. We hope to make this official at the AGM early in the new school year.

Looking back at the 2019/20 school year, fundraising was undoubtedly affected by the Covid pandemic that forced school closures. Our Christmas fair and Quiz Night were the only large scale events that we managed to hold before the school closed, meaning that we needed to think outside the box for further fundraising.

Three year groups completed in socially distanced relay races in the local area, and these events raised an amazing £12,224.04. We would like to thank everyone involved for making these such a huge success.

In total we raised £28,505 across the school year which we felt was an impressive total considering the circumstances.

As always, the more people that get involved in the PTA, the more events can be held. The committee will always have a need for small teams to help with events going forwards - kindly contact stjamesfriends@gmail.com if you can help.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish Kamela, Gemma and Ian, as well as all other involved, a successful year ahead.

**Daisy Huntington**

**PTA Co-Chair**