

# FOHS AGM Financial Report 2025

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## Purpose

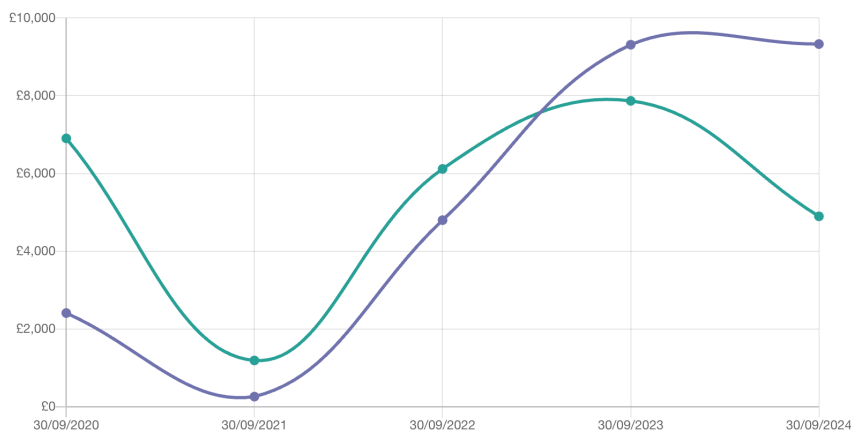
To provide an overview of the financial activity for Friends of Helmdon School (FOHS) during 2024-25 and highlight the current status of the financials for the charity.

## 2023-24 Financial Return

During 2023-24, FOHS fundraising totaled £9,329. This was in line with 2022-23 where £9,312 was raised. The marginal improvement shows a 3<sup>rd</sup> successive YoY increase in fundraising. The major contributors for the funds raised included *Fiver Challenge* (£1,806), *Quiz Night* (£1,100), and *Halloween Disco* (£641).

Expenditure decreased from £7,867 in 2022-23 to £4,897 in 2023-24, resulting in an overall annual profit of £4,432. The major expenses from FOHS included the *Woburn Safari Park trip* (£908), *Bee Bots* (£362), and *Christmas Books* (£336).

Over the last 5 years spending has marginally exceeded income with c.£27k spent vs. c.£26.1k raised. The chart below shows the last 5 years, the latest return being financial year ending 30th Sep 2024.



Financial period end date

Income / Expenditure	30/09/2020	30/09/2021	30/09/2022	30/09/2023	30/09/2024
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total gross income	£2.41k	£259	£4.80k	£9.31k	£9.33k
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total expenditure	£6.90k	£1.19k	£6.12k	£7.87k	£4.90k

## 2024-25 Activity

The financial year does not end until 30<sup>th</sup> Sep 2025 but, a financial loss is expected following a decision by the committee to invest funds on 'big ticket' items due to a successful 2023-24. Fundraising has reduced to c.£7.5k, whereas funding has increased to c.£10.8k.

FOHS has funded major items in 2023-24, including £5,925 for a *Laptops*, £1,043 for a trip *School Resources (phonics books, sand tray, foam bricks and science resources)* and £799 for *Jungle Book Show*. FOHS spending strategy has continued to focus on educational items within school, coupled with providing funds for extra-curricular trips and shows to support a diverse education.

Events held during the year included; *Halloween Disco*, *Christmas Cards*, *Santa run*, *Christmas raffle*, *Easter raffle*, *Summer Disco*, *Quiz Night*, *Cake Stalls*, and *Uniform sales*. The *Quiz Night* produced the highest revenue at £1,270.

## 2025-26 Outlook

At the time of producing this report, FOHS has available funds of c.£6.1k. This is a reduction of c.£4.4k when compared to 2024-25 but is in line with expectation following our funding decisions for the year. The FOHS committee continue to drive a balance of fundraising and spending, ensuring events deliver a return on investment to enable investment on school resources whilst maintaining a small cash surplus.