

Friends Association of Great Chart Primary School Committee Meeting
Tuesday 28th April 2026- 7pm - Great Chart School

1. Present

Amanda Oliver, Kate Brown, Sarah-Marie Collins, Paula High, Shelly King, Jennifer Keen

2. Apologies

Nicola Bellman, Claire Tanton, Alice Panagopoulus

3. Conflicts of Interest

None

4. President's Report

Welcome back to our April meeting.

Since our last meeting in March I know you have been very busy organising and running events: Something Special Sale and Easter Raffle. Hopefully both events have been very well received and supported.

Through your hard work, KS2 children were lucky to experience another M&M production, this time The Railway Children. Feedback from staff and children was extremely positive. We have booked a production of The Secret Garden for next year.

We are looking forward to a new addition to the list of events this year: the Colour Run. From what I have heard it sounds really exciting and one which I'm sure the children will once again enjoy.

Terms 5 and 6 are always busy in school and this is reflected by your hard work too. Planning for the Fete is in full swing, but you also have the Quiz Night, another Something Special Sale, PJ Party and the Leavers' Party.

We are looking forward to the remainder of the year and all the events you have planned. Thank you for your support.

5. Chair's Report

Good Evening and thank you for attending this evening.

We are now entering our most busiest time, where it feels like we have something on every week and constantly asking for money.

Since our last meeting, we held our Someone Special sale which was popular like always.

Our Easter raffle picked up too after a slow start.

Coming up we have our first ever colour run this Friday, followed by the PJ Party, then we enter frozen Fridays, Our Quiz night and then of course the big event, our summer fete.

A big thank you to Claire! Claire nominated us to her work to be considered as their chosen charity. Unfortunately, we didn't make the cut, but just for being nominated we were awarded £100! Thank you again Claire.

Thank you for everyone's support, especially Sarah-Marie, Nicola and Kate who have been working behind the scenes to make sure everything is planned and executed to the best of our abilities.

I'm sure the next few weeks are going to fly by!

6. Treasurer's Report

Income and Outgoings since last report

17/03/2026	Summer Fete 2026	Bouncy Castle Deposit		£20.00
18/3/2026	Colour Run 2026	Sponsorship	£120.00	
19/03/2026	Colour Run 2026	Materials for Course		£87.71
25/03/2026	Uniform Sales	Card Takings	£75.70	
30/03/2026	Easter Raffle 2026	BACS Syed	£20.00	
01/04/2026	Misc.	Lottery Licence		£20.00
07/04/2026	Misc.	JGA Ltd	£100.00	
07/04/2026	Misc.	B&Q		£84.00
15/04/2026	Summer Fete 2026	Ambulance		£381.60

Bank Total at 23rd April £16,358.11

A big thank you to Claire for organising for us to receive the donation from JGA ltd through her work this was a total of £100.

Easter Raffle

After a slow start the Easter raffle made a profit of £712.80 so after very little outgoings was still a successful event. It was only slightly down on the predicted income.

March Someone Special

This was a lovely event as ever and we made a total of £792 which was just as we budgeted.

Colour Run

The Donations for paint was a total of £960 which is amazing. This means so far we have only actually spent £10.91 of our own money which we know will be covered by the sponsorship money and some. It is hoped that this event will generate a good sum of money with very little outlay from us. The Budget has a figure of £150 for refreshments. We need to arrange this order.

7. **Colour Run**

I can't believe our colour run is this Friday!

We have everything in place - we just need to get it all ready. If anyone is free to come and help, we will be here from 10am Friday, and hoping to squeeze in a cheeky lunch.

Sponsorship went better than I hoped for. In the end we just ended up with one colour that wasn't sponsored. Not sure if everyone has a grudge against Orange, who knows. We are tight on helpers so I am hoping everyone who has committed to help can still do so.

First session is fully booked. The latter sessions will be opened up to siblings.

8. **Pyjama Party**

Our May PJ party will be taking place Friday 15th May.

EYFS 3pm Zog – classroom

YRS 1,2 and 3 4pm – Toy Story

YRS 4, 5 and 6 5.54pm - a choice from Super Mario, Spongebob or Paddington.

£5 to include a drink and a snack - fruit shoot and jammie dodgers

More helpers are needed to man the event.

Tickets are now available on Arbor to book now.

Will close Tuesday 12th May 5pm

9. **Summer Fete**

We are in full swing of organising the summer fete.

We have decided to ask for Stall Sponsors again. We have kept it the same as last year, but have also added a gold plus for just one company and they will have the event arena named after them.

If anyone is free w/c 15th June, we will be coming in throughout the week to get bits ready. We will also be here all day on Friday 19th June, again if anyone can spare some time, we will be so grateful!

Of course we also need helpers for the actual day as at the moment it looks a bit dire!

We finally have food vendors booked. We have booked a bouncy castle and an assault course! We have Ashford Sings! coming to entertain people for the first hour. If anyone knows of any groups who would like to put on a 10/15 minute demonstration, please do get them to get in touch.

If anyone knows of anyone who can supply us some Hay bales, please do get them to get in touch.

We will go into more details, etc in our next meeting.

10. Father's Day Someone Special Gift Shop

We have decided to still go ahead with the chocolate bars again this year. Children will design their wrapper.

Father's day is the day after the summer fete, on the Friday we will be a bit busy, so we have decided to the someone special chocolate shop on Thursday 18th June.

We will need helpers to stick the wrappers.

11. Any Other Business

None