

FOW committee meeting – 19th January 2023

Attendees:

Vicci Bowman, Holly Cook, Kyla Hyett, Kate Parkin, Jo McPherson, Kelly Pearson, Miss Parry-Jones

Recap of last terms' fundraising:

Brownie event - £200

Preloved Clothes sale - £50

Disco - £219.50

Raffle - £709

Current balance – £3403.43

Forecasted expenditure

3 coaches for the remainder of trips this academic year

Leavers Hoodies

Agenda:

Disco

- Feedback was that this went really well, DJ was really good and kept the children entertained.
- Suggestion in future to put on the form that parents can send their children with ear defenders.
- Agreed that the Christmas disco would be a regular date in the diary – but holding another in the clock change period was not approved due to diluting the appeal.
- Mrs Hinckley had previously suggested looking into costs of black out blinds for the hall windows to allow for discos etc in the Summer term. If we get these then we can add in a summer / leavers disco.
- *ACTION – School to lead on obtaining costs for this and feeding back to FOW*

Christmas Raffle

- Was a real success last year, possibly looking to move this online for this year to maximise exposure

Carols around the tree

- We have mulled wine and the light sticks (that were donated by Frampton football club) ready for 2023 owing to the cancellation of 2022.

Library project

- This is ongoing, brought Miss Parry-Jones up to speed with conversations that had been had with Mrs Hinckley in terms of previous quotes being around £80k, and us contributing 10% of this – meaning we were looking at a ballpark figure of £8-£10k.
- **Currently we have £1289 in a separate pot for this**
- Frampton Fundraisers have agreed that they will donate £500 – but are keeping this until we are further down the line with the planning of this.
- Holly asked what the process was for getting a more up to date quote, and if there was a possibility for putting out a request if any parent / caregiver is an architect and able to obtain a drawing as to what it would look like / what is feasibly.

- Miss Parry-Jones advised that this would be ok, but that any work needed to be completed by a council approved supplier.
- Ideas talked about including Tesco community (blue token) or equivalent supermarkets, Persimmon homes / new house builders and Ecclesiastical.
- *ACTION – someone to contact Tesco community to see what is available, and also to look at completing new house builder applications*
- Discussion around a Book fair – some concerns around cost of living at the moment, and the fact the books are cheaper on Amazon

Hoodies

- discussion around how and when these are done – is there scope for them to be given out earlier to allow for more use? Some schools give out in first term for example.
- Committee agreed that Easter would be a nice time to give them out (may not be possible this year)
- Also discussed that we needed 3 quotes ideally for expenditure and none of us were sure if that was done.
- *ACTION: Holly / Vicci to establish if Nicole Lee is still going to do them or if she wants us to take over. Even if she does them this year, would she be able to do them alongside one of us so that we know how they are done.*

Stonehouse Milk

- Holly advised that we had been chosen by Stonehouse Milk to be their supporting school for February – April 2023. Believed that it was 5% of profits get donated but wasn't totally sure.
- *ACTION: Holly to do a sentence in the newsletter for tomorrow – COMPLETED*
- *ACTION: Holly to do advert for next week*

Circus / Cinema

- Vicci updated that Mr Happy's circus has massively scaled back on availability owing to ill health, and this, combined with highly anticipated concerns from parish council / cricket club has meant that this hasn't moved forward.
- However – instead the suggestion was to look at an outdoor cinema event – one in the afternoon and one in the evening (different audience)
- Holly anticipates that this would be much easier to agree with using the field
- *ACTION: Kyla to reach out to her contact and see if he would be available*
- *ACTION: Vicci to scope costings and feasibility*

Coronation:

- Miss Parry Jones agreed that we could give the children bookmarks to mark the occasion
- *ACTION: Vicci to order bookmarks*

Wally Trail:

- Concerns around a Wally trail for the Kings Coronation
- Suggestion that we do this in the Autumn and use Scarecrows and this be around Harvest time. This would also reduce any animosity of anything that the parish council are doing for the Coronation.
- Agreed to park this one and think about it a bit more, to be discussed in the next meeting.

Easter

- *ACTION: Malteser bunnies to be ordered for the children rather than crème eggs. 110 children – 2 need to be dairy free*

- Chocolate Raffle – suggestion made to sell chocolate bars and put ‘golden tickets’ in them which obtains bigger prizes.
- Some discussion around what these should be, whether we want to see if we can get prizes from businesses to give for these, or if in fact we could charge a small amount (1 £) for example, and the prize just be a bigger Easter Egg (value around £10).
- *ACTION: to look into whether we can get any eggs donated (Thorntons was suggested) rather than having to pay outright for them and purchase chocolate bars to put the golden tickets into*

Mothers Day:

- Concerns raised around sensitivities of this
- Suggestion was that we consider the random acts of kindness day (November) instead of specifically targeting Mothers / Fathers day.

Events not being proceeded with this year

- Krispy Kreme – agreed not to hold this year but to consider including it at another event (cinema for example)
- Easter Sponsored Challenge to postpone for 2023
- Smarties challenge – also postpone for 2023.

AOB:

- We need to update the school website FOW page.
- *ACTION: Holly to establish how this is done. Kyla has offered to add some content if we can just have the link and update*
- Intro to FOW flyer – create with a focus on dates for the diary and send out in book bags and via email once populated – to also be distributed at new parents evening
- Kate has suggested that we create a SharePoint to keep all documents and financial documents within – to investigate / set up

Next Meeting:

2nd March 2023 – 6pm at Whitminster Inn

4th May 2023 – 6pm at Whitminster inn