

FOSB Meeting Notes

13th January 2020, 2pm.

Present: Kim Warner, Laura Ryder, Laura Bell, Tina Oakley, John Parkin, Michelle Moreton-Clack, Linda Parkin, Claire-Marie Goode, Eva Florea, Deirdre Hayes.

Laura Ryder outlined her agenda, covering upcoming events and feedback from previous events.

Quiz Night. John outlined his concerns regarding the amount of time we have remaining to promote this event. It was agreed to postpone again and to solicit opinion from parents and carers to determine the level of interest in this and other types of events. In addition to a quiz night, a cheese & wine evening, cream teas, pampers evening and breakfast with dad were mentioned. John will draft a letter to solicit opinion about these and any other suggestions, with a view to making these events more social and to attempt to increase parent/carer involvement. Responses are to be returned to the school office.

Non-uniform day. This was agreed to be held on Friday 14th February. No costumes to be worn.

Chinese New Year. The penny trail will be held as previously agreed, with the children able to vote for the receiving charity. A text will be sent to parents/carers and details will be included on the Facebook page. Laura R has a list of the charities under consideration.

Summer Fair. The date was agreed to be 20th June. John & Linda will be unable to attend on this date. The bouncy castle and the assault course will be hired again and the archery event will be invited. Michelle will obtain details and price for a “cave bus” that has proven popular elsewhere. Electricity will be provided from the new building and Laura R will consider options for obtaining a freezer for use on the day. The raffle first prize will be £100 cash and Laura B will order the raffle tickets. Laura R will speak to Gemma about free bread rolls and Greggs will also be considered. Apparently, Nando’s may be prepared to provide free chicken wings. Laura B will try to book the fire engine, again. Further ideas for stalls, either run by us or by external agents will be welcomed. A letter will be sent to parents/carers outlining our plans and the help required to run these events. Tina will send a letter to attempt to encourage parents/carers to donate a raffle prize from their work. It was agreed that additional meetings will be arranged to deal with summer fair matters exclusively.

It was agreed that there will be further engagement with parents/carers regarding what we are raising money for. We can use the playground markings and furniture as an example of the type of thing we have funded and asked Tina to provide a wish list. Items mentioned were the provision of musical instruments and a visit from a travelling farm, or similar..

Deirdre mentioned that shopping online provides a further opportunity to donate to charity. This is to be given further consideration.

The need to register as a charity was noted and John agreed to perform the necessary preparatory work and share this with Laura R.

Christmas Decorations. It was agreed that the decorations need to be sorted out before the next time they are used. We have far too many baubles and some other decorations are very tatty. Michelle will consider how best to utilise some of the baubles to make a centre-piece for next Christmas. The sort out will take place after drop off on Monday 9th March and the large hall will be available until 11.30. School lunches will be provided for those helpers who wish to have one. Tina will need to know the number required, in advance. John will test commando strips, for hanging decorations in the difficult areas.

Second-hand Uniform. The next sale will be on Tuesday 11th February.

Mother Day. We need to know how many chocolates and flowers we are buying, so Michelle knows what else is needed. It was agreed that chocolates and flowers sell very well, so more of each are required. John will contact Sue Hogg for details of her flower supplier. There are 420 children to cater for.

Safeguarding. All meeting attendees need to read the document on the school website and be prepared confirm agreement at the next meeting.

Tina invited contributions to the school newsletter, with photo's included where appropriate.

The next meeting will be on Monday 2nd March, starting at 2pm.