

FONS Meeting 29th February 2016

Present: Kate Griffiths, Sarah Crosby, Nia Grant, Lorna Roberts, Nicky Wilson, Beth Jennings, Mrs Allen, Mr Williams, Saskia Webster, Tracy Horrigan

Apologies: Jenny Ewell, Mrs Meaden, Nicky Hall.

LAST MONTH'S MINUTES

- These were approved by all present.

CONSTITUTION

- It was agreed that the only amendment needed was in relation to monies being paid into the Friends account and NOT into the School account.

TABLE TOP SALE

- The consensus was that on the whole this had a been a success.
- Sarah reported that the sum of £101.30 was made, broken down as follows:
 - Table hire - £56.00
 - Sale of school uniform - £9.00
 - Entrance/refreshments - £21.00
 - Guess the number of sweets - £12.00
 - Sale of fruit/veg boxes - £10.30
- The guess the number of sweets competition was won by Ollie Surman
- It was agreed that we would attempt to host a Friday night coffee evening at school in September. It was proposed that we could have a few tables set out selling various things (possible ideas - painted bird boxes as these may well be donated by P & A)
 - It would also be an opportunity to welcome new parents to the school
 - Possible date for this - 16.09.16. CHECK DATE WITH MRS MEADEN.
 - Beth to find out from P & A quantity of bird boxes they are able to donate.

FOOTBALL KIT

- The recently donated kit is unfortunately too big.
- It was agreed that we would now order a new kit. Mr. Williams estimated that the cost will be in the region of £160.
- We currently have donations for this amounting to £80.00 thanks to Steph Catherall (TDC) and the Ridgway family (Ridgway & Co).
- It was agreed that thank you letters will be written to the donors and also to Debbie for donating the kit.
- It was agreed that the new kit should be long sleeved and in a range of sizes.
- Mr Williams agreed to look into the cost of vests/bibs which would be useful for cross country type events.

POTATO IN A BUCKET COMPETITION

- Beth confirmed that she has been able to secure donations of seed potato and compost from P&A.
- Kate reported that B&Q require a letter from Fons requesting donation of buckets.
- Beth suggested in the first instance approaching various supermarkets to see if they will donate the black plastic buckets they use to sell fresh flowers. ***The Ruthin Tesco store have agreed to supply the buckets.***
- We need to decide if this will be an after school activity or whether it will happen during the school day - ASK MRS MEADEN
- It was agreed to charge each child £2.00 to enter the competition.

EASTER BINGO - Monday 21st March, 3.15 to 5pm

- Own clothes day on 18/03/16 for a chocolate egg donation
- Confirmed helpers - Jenny Ewel, Emma Hancock, Kate and Beth

- Sarah agreed to do the shopping for the event.
- CHECK WITH MRS MEADEN as to which snack she would like the children to have.

HELEN MEMORIAL WALK

- Tracy suggested that this would be a good thing to do around Nercwys Forest with families making a donation at the end.
- Tracy will liase with Gareth and check that he would be happy for us to do this.

END OF SUMMER TERM DISCO - Friday 15th July, 3.30 to 5pm

- Venue - Gwernaffield Village Hall (subject to cost), **Beth to book**
- DJ Cookie in attendance (subject to cost), **Beth to book**
- Snack to be provided
- Cost - £3.00 per child.
- Possibility of a talent competition in September

AOB

School website

- Saskia mentioned the school website and whether this could be improved.
- Mr Williams explained that the current one is free and hence why we use it. He also confirmed that it is getting significant hits on a daily basis.
- Saskia suggested that it could be improved with a list of Staff members and Governors and also a homework diary section so parents know what homework is set for their child. She is happy to help with this.
- It is worth noting and reminding parents that details of staff and governors can already be found in the School prospectus which is already on the website.
- Homework may only be a difficulty within infants as the current system in Juniors appears to be working well.
- Mr Williams will liase with Mrs Meaden regarding possible improvements to the current website.
- ***Mrs Meaden has arranged with Saskia for her to come in weekly and support with updating the website.***

SHARE

- Nia mentioned a campaign currently being run by SHARE (Supporting Homeless Assisting Refugees Everywhere) whereby they are hoping to build a house for homeless people from North Wales and Chester.
- To do so SHARE is asking people to buy a brick for £1.00. Nia wondered if this is something we would like to do as a school and suggested we hold an own clothes day and pay a £1. Monies raised can be used to purchase bricks.
- Adam Dandy of Dandy Top Soil is heavily involved in this campaign and it could be a nice thank you gesture from School for donating the bark for the garden.
- ASK MRS MEADEN WHAT SHE THINKS.

NEXT MEETING - 18.04.16.