

## **FONs Meeting on Thursday 15th January 2015**

**Present:** Sarah Crosby, Nia Grant, Tracy Horrigan, Mrs Meaden, Kathy Cracknell, Joanne Bowden, Kate Griffiths, Nicky Wilson, Beth Jennings

**Apologies:** Helen Allen, Saskia Webster

### **CHRISTMAS OVERVIEW**

- Kathy reported that the Christmas Concert evening raised PROFIT in the region of £754.00. Well done and THANK YOU to everyone who made this evening such a success.

### **FUNDING CUTS**

- Mrs Meaden explained that she has now received confirmation from Flintshire County Council that they are no longer funding the cost of the coach which transports our children from school down to Bryn Coch for their P.E. lessons.
- This is as a direct result of funding cuts which are currently very topical in both national and local news.
- The cost of a coach for one academic year will be in the region of £600. This is an amount which the school HAS to fund out of an already meagre budget.
- After much consideration, Friends agreed that it would pay a contribution towards this cost and this year it was felt Friends could contribute the sum of £300 towards the transport costs and for which Mrs Meaden is very grateful.
- This contribution from Friends does mean that the school will not this year have to call upon parents to make a weekly financial contribution to cover these transport costs.

### **PUB QUIZ**

- Monday 9th February 2015 at the Owain Glyndwr pub.
- 7.30pm for an 8pm start.
- Cost is £5 per person to include half time sandwiches and crisps.
- There will also be a raffle on the night.

### **AFTER SCHOOL BINGO**

- Wednesday 11th February 2015.
- Time : 3.15pm to 5pm
- Cost : £3 per child to include a hot dog.
- To be run and supervised by Staff.
- BJ and KG agreed to help to provide the hotdogs

### **COMMUNITY VOUCHERS**

- BJ will contact Tesco, Lidl, Asda with regard to obtaining their community vouchers
- These would enable Friends to obtain various provisions for events such as the After School Bingo.

### **PANTRY SPRING CLEAN**

- SC, TH and NG will start on this on Tuesday 20th January.

### **SECOND HAND SALE**

- Thursday 29th January 2015, after school.
- Donations needed of school uniform, DVD's, books and COMPLETE jigsaw puzzles.
- Donations to be made from Monday 26th January.
- Pupils will run stalls.
- Floats will be needed - KC
- Anything unsold will be distributed to charity shops

### **OTHER FUNDRAISING SUGGESTIONS**

- **BAGS TO SCHOOL appeal** - Historically, we have done this but with the "cash for clothes" ventures now in operation it has had an adverse effect on the bags for school appeal. SC to look into the continuing viability of this.
- **MCDONALDS** - KG mentioned that some branches of McDonalds offer 'host fundraising'. KG to look into this.
- **SPONSORED WALK** - We will look into hosting this event during the Summer term.
- **MATCH FUNDING** - NG will look into this.

### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

- **FLOWER FESTIVAL** - Church have invited School to take part in their Flower Festival. This will take place from Thursday 21st May. This means that our children will get an opportunity to decorate the Church porch with the help of BJ and Lorna Roberts, both trained florists. BJ mentioned that donations of old wellington boots for this event will be gratefully received.
- **VILLAGE FAIR** - Saturday 20th June 2015. Friends will have a stall for fundraising purposes. We will approach McDonalds for donations of their milkshake cups which the children can decorate and fill with goodies and then sell as 'Lucky Dip Cups'. Other stalls to be decided nearer the time.

### **NEXT MEETING**

Thursday 26th February 2015 at School at 3.15pm.