



FOSLS Meeting Minutes – 24th April 2024 @ 7 p.m.

Queens Road Social

1. Welcome & Apologies

Attendees- Mark Murray, Fiona Govan, Cherrie Edger, Kiki Ball, Emily Gerard, Amy Avis, Frances Jones, Helen Blundy, Jayne Krol, Julianna Garry, Emily Pope

Apologies - Sharon Cowey, Ali Dwan, Carole Madigan, Sarah Roberts, Andy Green, Andrew Hopwood, Lian Philips , Alex Witterick, Esrin Graham, Linda Orton, Helen Hopkin, Karoline Brennan

2. Treasurers update

- Money raised from World Book Day - Mufti and Storytime was £582.00
- The stationery tuck shop has raised for Spring 2 Term £125.60
- Total raised so far £8418.50 against a target of £10,000.
- Bank position - Cost Centre has been cleared so current total in the bank is £15516.03.

3. Funding requests update

- Reception bid - FOSLS have received a request from the Reception Years for wooden play equipment. We have agreed to donate £500 to fund this.
- Update on costs for class book sets - Providing books across three terms equates to approx £3300. This figure may come down if we benefit from bulk discount. FOSLS have also agreed to pay for the covers to ensure that the books last longer. Parents have been given the opportunity to donate a book through the PTA Events website. So far, this has raised approx £100. We will be fundraising for the funds FOSLS will try to raise additional funding through local companies. **Action Point** - Jayne to ask local companies to sponsor books.
- School have requested £520 to pay for coaches for various music trips across the year groups. These includes Year 3 going to the Cathedral, year 4 going to the Atkinson.

4. Upcoming events

- Disco - 23rd May 2024. We will work off names at the door, anyone wishing to pay at the door will need to fill in a form to ensure that we know what children are in the building and their emergency contact details.
- Times for Disco 6:15 - 7:15 Reception - Year 2, 7:30 - 8:30 Y3-Y6.
- Break the rules day 12th July 2024 - school council will work with their classes and the teachers to come up with a list of 10 rules that the children can break for 50p pence per rule break. The money will be collected on an honesty basis and we will not differentiate between anyone who has and has not paid. **Action Point** - School to provide FOSLs with a list of rules that the children can break.
- We may also host a Soak the Teacher stall on the same day. **Action Point** - School to revert back to FOSLs about a Soak the Teacher stall.
- Treat Fridays - These will resume towards the end of Summer Term 1 beginning on 17th May. Dates for Sweet Treat Fridays will be 17th May, 24th May, 7th June, 14th June, 21st June, 28th June, 5th July, 12th July
- FOSLs to attend the Meet the Parents evening on 11th June to explain what we do and to recruit more members.

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- The Bucket Challenge will run in September.
- Autumn Disco - Thursday 24th October 24.

5. Future plans (September onwards)

Jayne Krol and Kiki Ball are to resign their positions as chair and vice chair. The Chair position will be filled by Amy Avis. The Treasurer position has not yet been filled.

6. AOB

Ideas were submitted for other fundraising events.

Comedy Bingo was suggested - This event had been run in the past and after discussion it was felt that there are other events that are more successful.

Ray Quinn has kindly agreed to perform another concert. He is going to check his work dates and revert back to us.

Soccer Star Coaching - The company that ran the football event last year also has other options for fundraising. A darts challenge using this company was proposed. After discussions, FOSLs felt that if we were to run this, it would need to be in the next academic year. Before we agree to it, we would need to look at their costs and also ensure equity among the children taking part. Feedback was given that the children were given extra shots based on the amount that they had raised so if this event were to run again, we would need to ensure that all children had equal opportunities.

Another inflatable day was also suggested instead of employing an outside company. This had been done previously through school to raise funds for the ROLA.

The idea of a movie night had been discussed at a previous meeting. FOSLs have advised school that they would support the school with volunteers if this is something that they would like to run but that it would be the schools decision as to whether to run it. **Action Point** - School to come back to FOSLs regarding running a Movie Night.

Newsletter - **Action Point** - Frances and Esrin will compose the term newsletter.

7. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 25th September 2024 @ 7p.m. In Queens Road Social.

