

FOIS Meeting 4th Dec 2018

Attendees: Kirstin, Caroline, Nina, Juliet, Helen, Sarah, Jolene, Jade, Krista, Jo, Emma

No Apologies

1) Treasurers Report

- a. Current Account - £1806.53
- b. Savings £9531.98
- c. Float - £469.98
- d. The recycling this month has made 29.70
- e. Expenses – new archery sets £599.99

2) Christmas Craft and Gift Fair -

Thank you to everyone who put in the hard work to make this a successful event that raised £860.25. It was the first year in a while this event has been run and the first that this FOIS team organised. We managed to gather quite a bit of feedback. Suggestions going forwards were – make it a bit shorter, maybe a Friday evening, maybe involve the school choir, have nice stalls (we have the advantage now of knowing the stall holders so can just bring back the preferred ones), start planning in the summer. It was agreed that the event was hard work for a few volunteers and that more help would be needed if this event was going to happen next year. Advertising was good, on main road, leaflet drop, FB, Posters in shops / notice boards, local radio etc. Also maybe have a staggered car park drop off time and put cones on pavement to prevent illegal parking. Working together with the church was also discussed as a positive thing.

Several stall holders suggested they would be interested in a summer fair, maybe coinciding with mayday, Kirstin said no to this idea as it is believed that people come with a certain amount of money and anything spent externally isn't spent on FOIS stalls.

3) Wreath Evening 3rd December 2017

Congratulations to Nina on organising her 3rd annual wreath making evening, the event raised 231.55 and was a lovely fun evening. Thank you letters need to be sent to Sainsburys for donation of oranges (done), Mears Ashby and Welford for the donations of foliage. Going forward encouragement might be needed to encourage KS1 parents to take part.

4) Festive Treasure Hunt

Good fun for those who took part, encouraged children and their families to spend time outside. Only raised £24 but was very little effort. Clues need taking down.

5) Christmas Presents

Caroline has bought and wrapped books for the children that are age relevant.

6) Christmas Raffle

To take place at school nativity on the 11th /12th. Jolene, Gemma and Caroline have volunteered. Caroline to get chocolates and booze. Sarah has extra tickets if needed. **Action JC, GG & CR**

7) Expenses

There are a lot of expenses coming up that FOIS will cover. Storage is needed for kitchen items in hall, this will be approx. £2000. A quote has been accepted for a wall to be built between Yr3/4 and 5/6 classrooms this is approx. £900. Benches need to be purchased for outside, Suzanna is on the case and

Sarah is applying for a grant for these from one stop. There is still the requirement for blinds for the KS2 classrooms (internal and external) and lunch time play equipment that has been requested by the dinner ladies. **Action SW**

8) **May Day**

A long time off yet (11th May) but ... Raffle prizes need to be requested early in the new year and possibly share this job out amongst FOIS members.

9) **School Disco**

To take place on 28th Feb – posters and tickets need organising **Action CR**

10) **AOB**

Other event suggestions – No interest for organising summer ball, Easter Egg hunt along the lines of Christmas one, Sponsored event – Kirstin suggested obstacle race has been successful in the past. Possible Easter craft event for kids.

Still getting new supporters for Easy fundraising, every little bit helps.

Meeting suggestions, evening or instead of book and biscuit.