

# St Andrews CofE Primary School

Friends meeting - 20th January 2020

Present:

Jay Warner <b>JW</b>
Abbie Mayo <b>AM</b>
Clare Harrison <b>CH</b>
Sam Clifton <b>SC</b>
Monica Villaescusa <b>MV</b>
Arabella Brai <b>AB</b>
Beatrice Folson <b>BF</b>
Tracy Roach <b>TR</b>
Danielle Gibbons <b>DG</b>
Nicola Edwards <b>NE</b>
Lynne Pocock <b>LP</b>

Apologies: Sian Reading **SR**

Agenda Items:

1. Finance Update - **AM** distributed finance update that included all recent events and also all the latest outgoings. No questions from anyone regarding the figures.

2. Events update - **AM** informed all that the next event would be a Valentines themed cake sale, which will be held on Wednesday 12th February, with any leftovers for sale on Thursday 13th.

**AM** asked **ALL** whether we should go ahead with the quiz night, all agreed not to. Instead **AM** suggested a pamper evening for ladies (Mums, Nans, Aunties, friends etc). **ALL** agreed that it would be a good idea. Tickets were suggested at £5 which includes a glass of prosecco. **NE** to send out an email to parent community to see if there are any beauty therapists willing to help or if anyone who sells beauty products would like to run a stall. Date of event will be Friday 20th March, **AM** to check regarding the licence needed to sell alcohol.

**AM** - suggested that we run a re-gifting stall at the pamper evening for those unwanted Christmas gifts.

Parents evening - **AM** agreed with **NE** that the Friends would provide refreshments at parents evening. Tuesday 25th and Thursday 27th February.

Mothers day shopping - **AM** suggested that instead of the usual shopping with the children, the children would create a tea towel with their drawings on and sell these as gifts instead. **AM/TR** to search companies and get some quotes. **BF** suggested that if we could sell plants as an alternative gift. Mothers day event to take place W/C 2nd March.

Easter Egg tombola - **ALL** agreed that following on from the success of this event last year we would do it again. Non uniform day will be on the 27th March and children will be asked to bring in an easter egg.

Easter egg hunt - **AM** suggested that for key stage 2 the Friends would print some word searches and a quiz for them to do in their classrooms. **SC** said that the key stage 1 children really enjoy hunting for the eggs so **ALL** agreed for this to take place with the younger children only. **AM** to liaise with **NE** for timing of when the egg hunt can take place.

The Easter egg quiz and hunt will take place during the day on Thursday 2nd April and the Egg tombola will be after school on the same date.

**JW** to buy chocolates which will go inside the Easter bags. The children will be asked to bring in a donation of 50p towards the Easter activity.

Summer Fayre - **AM** confirmed the date; Saturday 4th July for the summer fayre. **AM** to start emailing companies for donations of raffle prizes.

Other dates - Friday 19th June - Friends summer BBQ.

3. Publicising the Friends - **ALL** discussed how we could raise the profile of the Friends. Agreed that **AM** would write a page about what we do for the schools website. **NE** suggested we add pictures of us to go on the website too. **AM** agreed to update the information which is sent to any new starters in their welcome pack.

4. School request - **AM** distributed letters written by the Year 6 students asking for the Friends to purchase some tablets for the school. **ALL** agreed that the letters were fantastic, so well written and great use of persuasive language! **ALL** agreed to purchase 15 new tablets.

**BF** raised the question whether it would be possible for the Friends to contribute towards hoodies for the Year 6's to wear on their school residential. **ALL** agreed that this is something which used to happen and could happen again for this year. To be raised again at a later date to confirm.

5. Sally's gift - **NE** passed over the money to **JW**. **ALL** agreed that we would get a vase engraved with a thank you message and some vouchers with the money. **AM** to purchase the vase and gift vouchers. **NE** agreed that we would ask Sally to come into assembly on Friday 31st January to present Sally with the gifts. **CH** suggested that each class make a thank you card for Sally and give it to her at the end of the assembly.

6 - Unwanted raffle prize - ALL agreed that this would be raffled off at the valentines bake sale, 20p a ticket.

AOB

**MV** asked whether we could buy a new kettle and BBQ - **ALL** agreed.

Next meeting - Thursday 26th March at 7pm.

Meeting closed at 20:20