

Friends Meeting - 01.03.22

Present Kate L, Teresa Meyer, Carol Gray

Apologies Cat RH, Zoe J, Carl R, Caroline O'R, Viv R, Clare F, Michelle R, Polly R, Emma K, Kirsty J, Suzie G.

Minutes from Previous Meeting – No matters arising from last meeting, signed off by Kate L.

Chairs Update Whittington Walkers 10 mile Challenge was great at raising funds and involving all children of all abilities. Allowed people to complete in own time. Carol is sorting the funds and will then make payment to the Friends bank account. Then need to look at claiming Gift Aid on same. Feedback that keen to have as an annual event - something can consider for next year.

Treasurers Report See attached report. ZJ & KL are in process of sorting new bank account with Natwest. Transactions out included payments for sweets which were going to be used at Valentine's event but this had to be postponed due to circumstances outside of our control but sweets can be used at future events as will be in date.

Minibus Contribution for minibus will be made and feedback given to parents that this has been provided partly due to Friends contributions for next 3 years. Awaiting branded minibus which Mr Rogers has said is due this month.

Fundraising Mother Day Gift sale - March 25th in school time. Kate ordering gifts and will let Supporters know when help needed with wrapping.
Easter event - Treasure Hunt and possibly Guess the Eggs in the Jar
Bubble parties - in Summer term before May half term
Tuck Shop - Yr 6 Enterprise - Mr Rogers has said Year 6 are keen to take this up. They will price and ask Friends for a budget
Pudding & Prosecco Party - Emma K to arrange date
Summer Fete - in July before end of year
Tea Towels - still have some available and will offer for sale again.

AOB School have not made any other requests for funding at present but will be looking for 'usual' contributions towards:
Leavers presents - £200 approx.
Leavers hoodies - £300 approx.
Beach day - £1,000-£1,500 depending on whether at seaside or in school

Other possibilities -

1. Teresa said she thought that Year 2 did not have any aprons provided to them for art work, whereas Reception and Year 1 did. Kate will discuss with Mr Rogers.
2. Kate said that the Forest School Area was looking a bit less attractive with the building work adjacent. Agreed that Friends would be happy to make a contribution towards resources to enrich the Area.

Date of next Meeting - TBC possibly Tuesday 26th April after Easter holidays

A big thank you to all who attended.