



## FoBS Meeting

Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2022, 19.00

*Bricklayers Arms*

In Attendance: Fiona Wishaw (FW), Trilby Fox-Rumley, Emma Cairns (Emma), Katie Lister (KL), Elisabeth Carson (EC), Ella Leavey-Bell and Emma Hall.

Apologies from: James Johnson, Jen Dady, Sarah Bax and Samira Ali.

- Grounds committee

FW; committee used to be once a half term. Mrs Adams would like it to resume. A general tidy up. Usually a weekend, family event. Hopefully better weather will reinvigorate.

*Action: FW to message Volunteer group to ask for volunteers to lead the committee.*

- Fancy dress swap for WBD

Mrs Adams was keen for it to happen before World Book Day. Put a trolley out for donations Friday am/pm, for a swap on Monday. Put QR code and donation bucket out. Left overs will be donated to school for the outdoor stage.

*Action: EC to coordinate Monday's swap.*

*Action: Emma to message class reps re swap tonight.*

*Action: FW to email office re swap too.*

- Mother's Day

Jo messaged Mrs Kirwin to suggest Wild Alice for Mother's Day; a sustainable, local flower supplier. Last year we did 'Hug in a Mug' purchased in advance and delivered to classrooms. This year we have ordered 'Someone Special' bracelets to put with a

chocolate bar. Price is £4. We have 300 bracelets. Raffle for Hamper again? Decided against.

*Action: KL to set up web page to purchase.*

*Action: JD to purchase chocolates.*

- Easter

Mrs Taylor used to buy a lot of Easter eggs to be won via a raffle for the kids. We are already buying an Easter egg for every child for a hunt as requested by Mrs Adams. Can we send out communication before-hand to warn that egg 'may contain nuts' to make eggs easier to source? No, even if being given out at pick up.

*Action: FW to ask the school office for a count of gluten free / nut free / dairy free.*

- Spend – playground games for lunchtime

School have invested in new playground equipment. Some is already installed. The rest is waiting the tree to be removed. Mrs Adams has requested FoBs to supply some games. Best space by Year 1 & 2 classrooms for painting on the floor. Sovereign are putting in the trim trail and have a playground markings section on their website. Good to have things that less physically able children can play too. Can the cost come out of Elmbridge green grant? Suggestion to spend up to £10k. Will use some of the reserved money allocated to the mini bus – which there are delays on acquiring which are out of FoBS control. Will fundraise if that suddenly goes green.

*Action: Set up meeting with Sovereign*

*Action: EC to speak to Health and Safety Governor about progress on fixing of playground flooding (as this affects timing of painting games on the floor).*

Ideas:

1. Painting Chess board on playground floor.
2. Drafts and chess pieces

3. Hopscotch
4. Snakes and ladders
5. Tree benches to make tree holes safer
6. Chalk station

Miss Buttery from Reception would like FoBS to purchase 3 x wooden framed mini greenhouses (rather than 1 big due to wind), compost, pitch forks, rakes, brooms, seed trays, plant containers, £100 for plants, seeds and feed. Will grow a range of fruit and veg incorporating sensory element to enhance the changes in seasons. Total amount needed £350.

Can it come out of Elmbridge green grant?

*Action: Send request for garden items via class reps, before purchasing new, for sustainability.*

- Quiz night

New date Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May. FoBS to write and organise the quiz. 10 rounds. Include weird food round. Music round. Crisp round. £10 per ticket to include Fish'n'chips dinner. Will be pay bar. Buy booze on sale and return. Ensure there is enough alcohol. Hire glasses from Laithwaites. Name something like "Quiz with a Twist" so people know it's not a straight general knowledge quiz.

*Action: JD to communicate new date via newsletter*

*Action: Form a committee to meet and write quiz together*

- Queen's Jubilee – badges – bake off

Mrs Adams has found some badges she would like for the children. FoBS to fund purchase (<£1 each). To be handed out on the day the school celebrates the jubilee with an afternoon tea - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May.

Parents to come in and have a picnic with the children, with a country fair style cake baking competition. Put up existing bunting FoBS/EC has. To be planned at a later date.

- Summer Fair 18<sup>th</sup> June

Need theme ideas for the summer fair. Mrs Bungay suggested Pirates and Princess or Jungle Safari. Repeat seaside theme? Ice-cream van, Punch and Judy show. Usually around 11am-2pm.

*Action: Form a committee.*

- Ball 2023

Samira can no longer lead the committee though still willing to be a part of it. Should we have 'Burfest' instead. Held at Vauxmead. A festival style event instead of the ball? Ask Guides to use their marquee. Professionally run bar. Multiple options for food.

*Action: Form a committee.*

*Action: KL Look to at finances of previous balls – how much it costs/raises.*

- AOB

Bring back physical posters/give out flyers to communicate events and doughnut sales etc to catch those who miss messages via WhatsApp and email. Add note to recycle paper.

Speak to Mrs Adams about getting parent volunteers back in school.

Need more volunteers to action new ideas, like those suggested on Volunteers WhatsApp.