

## FroGS Minutes 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021

### **Present:**

Saz - Chair  
Jen – Dept Chair  
Tanya - Treasurer  
Nadia  
Emily Maynard

### **Apologies:**

Yvonne  
Libby  
Symona  
Lauren

### **Agenda**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:** this would normally be held in October – we had planned to hold this in January 2021 however lockdown restrictions meant this wasn't possible.  
**Action – set a date in May when School returns**

**It is so lovely to meet today, first day with restrictions lifted for 5 of us to meet socially distanced in the Garden!**

### **1) Fundraising and Proposed events/ideas 2020-2021**

We discussed and reviewed the fundraisers we have run since school restarted in 2020 and placed some provisionally in the diary going forward.

We have continued online fundraising including:

Easyfundraising  
Stampastic  
Vale Lottery

All continue to run and bring in a small amount of fundraising every month even during lockdown.

School uniform shop

We ran one prior to lockdown and it was excellent – really good sales!

Tables with size order, asking parents to bring correct change, use one way system/face mask and hand sanitiser – all measures worked well.

Nadia kindly sorted all items in ages and any items not sellable were given to Bags2School on the 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

**Next School Uniform Shop Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2021 – Nadia, Jen, Steve and Lauren**

**Action – Nadia to make a list of the remaining items for the School Office to access to assist them with parent enquiries regarding availability of items.**

Bags2School

We have managed to run two successful collections since September and received cheque for £120 and £186

**Action – Saz asked Tanya to investigate alternative companies and pricing to ensure that we are receiving the most competitive prices as we are receiving 30p per kg rather than 40p**

**Action – Saz to book two more dates one after Easter and one before Summer holidays**

**Action – Saz to put a reminder on Year 6 group to ask for donations of blue jumpers**

We were very lucky to be able to run so many events in December before the recent lockdown.

#### Arts for School Christmas Card Project

We will review the uptake for this year.

Symona showed artwork from a preschool excellent quality – [www.artscreen.co.uk](http://www.artscreen.co.uk)

**Action – Saz asked Tanya to compare the pricing and the amount the School receives per purchase with other companies versus ArtsforSchool**

**Action – Saz to book for Christmas next year**

#### Cake and Cookie Sale

It was absolutely amazing on the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020– the best sale yet!! We were so very lucky to have so many talented bakers and wonderful parents that gave up so much of their time to bake the most amazing cakes!!

We would like to improve on serving as there was a long queue and whilst socially distanced we discussed ideas and agreed we would have a table per class bubble or two classes grouped together. We also need to ensure we have sufficient stock as this time we actually came close to running out of cake!!!

**Requested offers for bakers – Nadia, Saz, Jen – more offers please 😊**

**Action – Saz to ask Beth if we can have a cake sale on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021.**

#### Christmas Raffle

We were absolutely delighted with the prizes, a fabulous team effort in getting donations and superb hampers to win! The Raffle this year was really well supported, and it was a much needed fundraising to top up current funds.

#### DVD

We also managed to record and sell the Christmas Nativity EYFS & KS1 on DVD which was gratefully received as we would have been unable to show the performance otherwise.

After the meeting Tanya said that we may be asked to record the Year 3/4 performance in May. Saz contacted Stephen to check he is happy to record, and we will meet to hopefully we can meet to discuss improving how to record.

**Action – Saz to confirm with Beth**

**Action - Saz to ask Year 3/4 teacher for dates and discuss recording**

#### Mufti Day

We held this on the 18<sup>th</sup> December and whether it was too late in the term but we only raised £102 which is only half the children bringing in £1 donation

**Action – Saz to ask Beth for a mufti day in the summer term**

#### Fancy Dress Fun Run or Walk February Half term

It was a great event to run and whilst there was less participants than we had hoped for we raised over £600 which was really fantastic.

We were unable to set up online crowdfunding page as we need the final transference of the documents to confirm Tanya as treasurer. Tanya went into Barclays to chase this as there has been delays and we hopefully can get this sorted now. We need to make online fundraising a priority as many families not able to get together so online is the way forward.

**Action – Saz to ask for parentmail to ask for final sponsorship monies**

**Action – Saz to do an update newsletter and announce competition winners and give our a little prize**

**Action – Tanya /Saz to set up crowdfunding page for FroGS to enable online fundraising.**

#### Proposed events/ideas 2021

## **All proposed future events will need to be reviewed by Beth**

**Action – Saz to arrange meeting with Beth before Easter Holidays to discuss FroGS funding and proposed activities discussed below.**

Fit 4 Change – suggestion to do an active challenge which counts steps using an app and schools/groups compete against each other, each school gets a percentage paid per mile

**Action – Nadia to download the app and look into this as a fundraiser for summer term or May half term**

## **April 2021**

Smarties Challenge – to rerun this previous very popular fundraiser, the children get a chocolate treat of a tube of smarties and they do acts of kindness/chores to earn coins they can fill the smarties tube and return it back to school after the holiday. We discussed whether many families would have cash at home and hope that this works this time around.

**Action – Volunteers to stick labels on smarties tubes on Wednesday**

**Action – Saz to print information to kids to take home with smarties tube on Thursday**

Easter Egg Hunt – we decided to just run this as a fun optional extra – we have 11 willing houses in Grendon and 6 in Springhill – they will display an Easter poster and you can walk around the village spotting the posters and solving the clues.

**Action – Nadia to confirm and give poster to those in houses**

Bags 2 School - **Action – Saz to book a date for after Easter Holiday and a date before Summer holidays.**

## **May 2021**

School Uniform Shop - **Action – Saz to email school office to confirm at date.**

DVD Year 3 / 4 - **Action – Saz to meet with Beth to confirm and update Stephen Jury accordingly**

## **June 2021 – potentially rules change 21<sup>st</sup> June**

Sports Day – we would normally do bacon sandwiches **Action – Saz to discuss with Beth**

Bags 2 School - **Action – Saz to book**

## **July 2021**

School Uniform Shop - **Action – Saz to email school office to confirm a date.**

Summer Fair has been discussed with Beth and it is felt it would not be possible to arrange one this year.

**Action – Saz to discuss with Beth opportunity to hold a BBQ event which can be set up/cancelled at short notice.**

Other ideas:

Summer Raffle

Online Auction of Craft products 'Made with Love' – bids for items made by local crafters – can be businesses/gardening/painting/car washing – token gifts/prizes for auction and we could have posts on facebook with other items for sale

## **2) Treasurers Report**

Tanya handed out a draft copy of the Income and expenses 2019 to 2020 and we had an income of £5019.64 and an expenditure of £5000.03

We have so far this year since September raised £2,600 which given the current lockdowns we feel is very good.

## **3) Fundraising contributions so far 2020**

10 more Chromebooks and their licences

Reading Scheme which has mostly benefitted EYFS and KS1

Mosaic for outside School which children had the chance to do a tile for

Times Tables Rockstars – ongoing commitment

£25 given to each classroom.

Christmas Crackers donated for School Christmas Lunch 16<sup>th</sup> December 2020

A Christmas Treat for staff from S&H

PTA membership and insurance

Year 6 leavers presents – leavers books for 28 children have been ordered, we also have the commitment to buying leavers photograph.

We discussed the appropriate amount of funding and looked at previous figures approximately £5 per child for additional leavers party/pizza etc

The School has not been able to go on School trips and therefore money that would previously have been spent on Year 5 contribution was not allocated to these year groups. However, we also did not have the normal funds coming in. We discussed whether this money should still be allocated to that year group. The FroGS present today agreed that monies that have been spent have benefitted these year groups in particular the chromebooks and it feels this is a natural time to move away from contributing to school trips.

## **4) Wish List - to be reviewed and discussed at AGM**

## **5) Any Other Business**

AOB has not been raised for this meeting.

Thanks to everyone that attended today.