

Friends of Morley Meadow Meeting 8th February 2022

Time: 1530 - 1615

Venue: Morley Meadow Primary School Hall

In attendance:

Laura Ide

Kelly Holborow

Jo Mathews

Jo Coles

Mrs Duncan

Mrs Thomas

Apologies from Julie Hawtin, Sally Geary and Helen Purdy

Agenda:

1. Current budget
2. Easter
3. World Book Day
4. Councillor Request for Defib
5. Disability Friendly Equipment
6. Hoodies
7. Summer Fayre
8. Any Other Business

1. Current budget

With current spending, after chasing of final invoices we estimate around £5000 will remain. We need to keep around £3000 to cover fees for the next 2 years so urgently need to fundraise.

Of the budget we had, we have spent:

£5000 towards the library

£200 towards library shelving accessories

£280 on a classroom rug

£2646.36 towards staging (we paid for this amount as PE budget paid that amount towards markings)

£1023.64 towards playground markings

£150 towards a pantomime

£200 of food tech equipment

We are also still committed to:

Wild tribe equipment £500 approx

Shed for outside toys

2022 goal of fundraising is for new IT equipment – ipads.

2. **Easter**

Suggestions were:

- Trail around the community
- Easter trail around school grounds
- Mini eggs in a jar
- Sweet cones

Discussions with others at the meeting led to suggestions of:

- Easter bonnet parade for KS1
- Decorate boiled eggs for KS2

50p entry for both of the above

Trail around the grounds afterschool £2.00 entry with small lolly for entry and chance to win a prize

Last term day before Easter is Friday 8th April.

3. **World Book day**

Book collection ongoing – good uptake on book donations.

Needing volunteers to sort books – offer from Julie Hawtin and Kelly Holborow

Volunteers to help man sale on Thursday 3rd March afterschool – Julie Hawtin, Kelly Holborow and Jo Mathews – also the suggestion of asking some years 5 and 6 to assist in the stalls.

This sale will be run afterschool on the playground. Need to check gazebos for weather.

4. Councillor request for defib

Suggestion from Jo Mathews that we could assist local councillor Rebecca Smith in allocating community funds towards purchasing a defibrillator for life saving measures to attach to the outer fencing of school property for use in the football pitch and by the local community.

It was discovered that the nearest one is in Morrisons and this is inside the store so only available during opening hours.

The cost would be around £1000 - but would need £100 contribution from us to get this started.

All in agreement for allocating this donation due to the benefits this will offer – Jo Mathews to remain point of contact for organisation.

5. Disability Friendly Equipment

Message from member of the school community advising there is not a lot of disability friendly equipment so it was suggested the Amazon wish list be adapted to consider those with additional needs also. This has since been done so items are currently on the list which are inclusive to all playground users. List to be amended as required by teaching staff.

Mrs Dauny briefly attended meeting to show some of the equipment that has been purchased from the Amazon wishlist – some items are lower quality or small in size and can be costly so the list has been amended to reflect items of need.

Now this is established, it will be for school to amend as required and we can share the list frequently to reiterate its use.

6. Summer Fayre

It was suggested that this event be a cashless event with ticket stubbs available on a stand / numerous stands or pre-purchased prior to the event.

Tea towels were suggested as part of the event but after discussion this was something that could happen in school at another time.

It has been agreed that tables wishing to come into school as sellers should be child orientated and school stalls to be manned by Year 6 children. There will be 30 stands around, including school stalls.

Indoor hall to be made available for bouncy castle use only.

Open to community

Suggestions included Penalty Shoot Out in the tennis court area against teaching staff – pay per go. Also suggested was a throw the sponge at a teacher – pay per go.

Any sellers coming in from outside the school should donate a prize for a raffle and £5.

7. **Any other business**

Amazon wishlist is going well – now to be amended by school staff

Tea towels may also be possible with company called Stuart Morris

Low attendance at meeting so may be worth doing a poll for meeting time – This has since been done among the volunteers group (cannot place a poll on the public page for unknown reasons) - response was highest at early to mid evening 4-630 slots.

18th February to be Break the Rules Day