

Friends of Woore School – Minutes of Meeting, Monday 1 February 2021

Meeting took place via Microsoft Teams.

In attendance:

Lydia Beeston (Chair)

Jessica Lear (Treasurer)

Sonya Cleverton

Eilisia Gill

Helen Jackson

Apologies:

Sarah Scott (Vice Chair)

Claire Marsh (Secretary)

Finance Update

JL reported that we currently have £2303.45 in the bank. This includes a recently banked cheque from Go Fund Me, in relation to the Halloween raffle, which raised £127.

JL also confirmed that since October 2020, we have been able to donate over £900 towards the school. This includes a donation for resources, Christmas treats for the children (books from Santa, the online panto) and a new thermometer.

Parentkind

LB wanted to look further into our membership of Parentkind – this costs FOWS £69 per year, but we are not sure what we are getting out of it. **ACTION: JL to investigate this further.**

On-going Fundraising Activities

Summer Fete 2021 – after discussion it was decided that we would not run the Fete again this year, due to uncertainty about Covid and any possible restrictions that may still be in place then. We hope to look at having a Halloween party or a Christmas Fayre later in the year.

School Lottery – all agreed that we needed to have a push on the School Lottery. Currently only 37 people are buying tickets, and ideally this needs to be a minimum of 50 per week to maximise the profits for the school. LB confirmed she now has portal access to the School Lottery, so can assist CM. Agreed that we need to emphasise that the lottery is safe and keep tagging the winners on Facebook. **ACTION: LB asked all FOWS to spend some time understanding the logistics of how the lottery works. All to help with pushing on social media and amongst family and friends.**

ACTION: LB to investigate all FOWS having Portal access, if possible.

ACTION: EG to mention the lottery to school staff, as none have signed up yet.

ACTION: LB to try and send an automated message through Facebook Messenger to all followers of FOWS page about the lottery.

Easyfundraising – this also needs another push. A real no-brainer for FOWS to make some money.
ACTION: LB to take this on as she is contact set up with Easyfundraising. She will push on social media and will speak to Mrs Ward about the newsletter.

Snowdon Hike – this had been tentatively rearranged for April but all agreed this was unlikely now. We will aim to plan it for later in the year (possibly September?)

AOB

HJ has spoken to the Shropshire Star about FOWS' recent activities (including the School Lottery); they should be publishing the article in Thursday's edition (04/02/21). **ACTION: HJ to send a photo into the Star for the article and will also post the link on Facebook when article is published.**

Date of next meeting: FOWS will meet again towards the end of March; exact date will be organized via the What's App group.