

FOR Planning Meeting
9.15am Thursday 14th 2019 November – Ryelands school library

Present: Georgie, Ritchie, Chloe, Angelique, Georgia, Jo, Brenda, Mrs Ghaffar

Treasurer update:

The balance at time of meeting is £3,730.68

Easter-

Raffle:

The Easter Raffle will be drawn on the last day of term, 5th April. Tickets will go on sale in the last week of term; helpers to sell in the infants/juniors are needed. It will be an easter egg raffle and will be open only to children at Ryelands. The teachers will be asked for donations. There will be a call for donations from the last week of March. Georgie to put this in the newsletter. If a large number of donations are given then family hampers might be made.

Disco:

Easter Disco will be on the 4th April with the infants 15.30 – 16.30 and the juniors 16.45 – 17.45. Parents will only need to attend the infant disco. This will also be a “What I want to be when I grow up” Mufti Day.

The same DJ is booked for both the Easter and the Summer Disco; there was great feedback about the previous disco. Miss Eaves will ask for helpers from the teachers; Georgie will ask for parent helpers in the newsletter. Georgie will pick up hotdogs etc on the day.

Tuck Shop:

There will be a tuck shop at 13.30 on 5th April. There are some sweets and drinks in the shed; we will also be selling any leftover stock from the disco.

Class Funds-

As the infants have had their playground finished, class funds will only go to the Junior classes. We are waiting to hear back from the school on a convenient time for Georgie to attend a staff meeting.

Tea Towels-

Miss Smith is the school Art Coordinator and feels this half of the term would be a good time to ask the children to draw a self portrait. There will be two years included on each tea towel design, including the nursery.

These would be organized as a fundraiser every other year, probably using the same company. The tea towels have a self-portrait drawing by the children and their name. It is important that every child is included on the tea towel.

These will be preordered.

Recycling-

It is still very difficult to instigate recycling of glass and plastics through the school. Currently they are only able to recycle paper. Georgie has been discussing with Peter, the site manager, and Miss French if there was anything FOR could do

or contribute to help; for example, signage. Georgie will arrange a meeting with Miss French and the pupil parliament to see what we can do to help. In the meantime we will use clear bin liners for plastics/glass at FOR events and dispose of it ourselves.

Future Events-

Summer Event:

There was discussion about the best option for a summer event. A children-only summer carnival was suggested. A £6 ticket would be purchased in advance and all games, bouncy castle etc would be free. Safeguarding may be an issue on such an event, however, so perhaps it would be best to include parents. This is something to think about.

It was agreed that a colour run or sponsored run is still a good idea; the last sponsored run raised a lot of money and it can be coordinated with the school. This would include parent participation and will include a gift for all children who take part, in addition to a prize for sponsorship etc. Georgie to investigate the possibility of colour run at a local park.

Bingo Night:

FOR will look to arrange a bingo night at the Enmore Road Social club in the first half of the Summer term. Care will be taken to choose a date after payday. Georgie will speak to the club to see what nights of the week are most suitable for them.

AOB-

Poop signs/bags:

There has been good feedback to the installed poop bag dispenser. It would be good to make them more permanent and Brenda suggested that she could make some signs. Georgie and Brenda will liaise and make a sample. All agreed that FOR were happy to pay for any materials etc required.

Mics for Assembly:

Georgie will discuss the possibility of hanging mics or mic stands to improve the use of the PA system for assemblies.

Oven Cleaning:

An oven cleaning company will give £5 from any booking mentioning Ryelands to the school. It is £50 for a single oven and takes around 2 hours. Georgie will add to newsletter.

World Book Day:

World Book Week was a great success and all appreciate the effort that went into it. There was some disappointment that the dress-up for World Book Day was just pajamas; it would be nice to have the option to dress as a book character. Next year FOR may have an afterschool event to help children make costumes.

Sewing Club:

The sewing club is looking for a lightweight sewing machine. A call will be put out.