



FOSLS Meeting Minutes 25th September 2024 @ 7 p.m.

Queens Road Social

1. Welcome & Apologies

Frances Jones, Kiki Ball, Jayne Kroll, Amy Avis, Danielle Laffan, Linda Orton, Mark Murray, Helen Blundy, Kate Lloyd, Carolina DeCampos, Nicola Davis, Lily Grand, Emily Pope, Cherie Edger, Ali Dwan, Fiona Govan, Karen Allen.

Apologies - Karoline Brennan, Juliana Garay, Emily Gerrard.

2. Committee roles - vote on chair, vice chair and treasurer

Jayne Kroll stepped down from her role as chair and Amy Avis was voted in as chair. Kiki Ball resigned as vice chair. A new Treasurer Graham Spencer was appointed in absentia, Frances Jones stayed on as Secretary.

3. Treasurer's Report and Summary for 2023/2024

- Funds raised last year were £10606.
- These were raised from:
 - Break the Rules £1356
 - Bucket Challenge £1053
 - Christmas Events £4734
 - World Book Day and book donations £929
 - Treats and Stationery £777
 - Donations and Easy fundraising £776
- Bank position - Currently £18K in the bank but we are waiting for a cheque to clear which will bring the balance to circa £17,000.
- Target for Academic Year 2024/2025 was set at £10,000.

4. Funding requests update

- Dearne Valley - Due to rising costs of the year 6 Residential, Mr Hardman from Year 6 requested £1500 from FOSLS to help offset the cost of the coaches to Dearne Valley. After a discussion, it was agreed that Year 6 would try and raise some funds themselves with the support of FOSLS and that any shortfall to reach the £1500 would be met by FOSLS.
- iPads- Ms McGarvey Curriculum Lead for computing has requested money to pay for new iPads for the school. After a recent audit, it was found that out of the 44 iPads there were 23 that were still usable and 21 that were no longer usable due to outdated operating systems. The quote to purchase 8 new iPads came in at £2121 . The cost of renting 16 iPads per month is £200. FOSLS have requested the school to decide if they wish to rent or buy and also to investigate whether cheaper tablets would provide the same functionality.
- Update on costs for class book sets - Funds have been raised through sponsorship. Jayne Kroll is to send a holding e-mail to let people know that the school are still in the process of choosing what books that they would like.

5. Upcoming events

- The Bucket Challenge - 30th September -11th October. Karoline Brennan and Emily Gerrard to lead.
- Cauliflower Cards - 25th September - 3rd October - Lian Phillips to lead.
- Autumn Disco - Thursday 24th October 24 - Amy Avis and Danielle Laffan to lead. Format to remain the same from last year. Reception will not attend the first disco. All years to have their own entrances and names will be checked off on the door. There will need to be adjustments made to ensure that we have details for every person in the building. Parents cannot come into the building unless they have provided their details in advance to volunteer. Siblings will not be allowed in unless they are attending the disco in line with the correct year groups. Y1, Y2, Y3 6:15 - 7:15, Y4,Y5,Y6 7:30 - 8:30.
- Spring term Disco- date to be confirmed.
- Christmas takeover date set for Tuesday 17th December - Amy Avis and Danielle Laffan to take the lead. A planning meeting will be held separately to organise the day.
- MUFTI Days - 24th October, World book Day Thursday 6th March 2025 and a final one in the Summer Term. Date and Theme TBC.

6. Fundraising Ideas for the coming year

Quiz Night - A local quiz host has offered to host a quiz night for free. We are going to ask him for a date for the Spring term.

Concerts - Due to the success of the concerts from last year, it was decided to ask Anna Corcoran and Ray Quinn if they would be willing to perform another concert.

Year group stalls - it was suggested that parents and carers of each group could hold a stall selling items.

7. Any Other Business

It was suggested that we appeal to parents and carers and ask if they had any Volunteer days that they could use to help at the school.

Mark Murray added that his company can match a fundraising amount of up to £300.

Social Media Team - FOSLs is looking for volunteers to help run the social media channels such as Facebook and Instagram. We use these platforms to communicate with parents to let them know of upcoming events and how we spend the funds raised. Jayne Kroll will continue to post content and Nicola Davies has agreed to help with this as well.

Action Point - Jayne to work with Nicola and provide log in details.

8. Date of next meeting - The next meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at Queens Road Social on 22nd January 2025.