

FOLS AGM Meeting

14/10/21

8pm Zoom

Apologies

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Present

Gilly Perry, Miss Parkes, Amanda Smith, Lynn Foster, Kirsty Knight, Rebecca Whitwell, Joanne Trousdale, Mr Nightingale, Sarah Bonnard

Meeting opened 8pm

Last Meeting Review

Fence for garden boundary – resolved

Willow tunnel – Helen Ford has agreed to maintain.

Swimming lessons – confirmed that FOLS will not be contributing the usual large sum of money for swimming lessons, the money has come from the school sports budget.

Agenda Items

Elected Office

Chair – Rebecca nominated Gilly and Amanda 2nd

Treasurer – Kirsty nominated Amanda and Gilly 2nd

Secretary – Gilly nominated Rebecca and Amanda 2nd

Thank you

Lealholm and Houlskye senior citizens are no longer running as they were, and they have very kindly donated the sum of £223.90 to FOLS. This money is to be used as something special to benefit the children and ideas are being discussed. A thank you letter has been sent and once it has been decided how the money is to be spent, we will then inform them.

Fundraising

Due to Covid-19 restrictions fundraising hasn't been able to happen as usual again this year, but what we did manage to do was a success. Please see Treasurer's report.

Fundraising going forward -

Bag2school - we will continue to run this once a year around October and we are hopeful that we can continue to take the unsold items to boost our weigh in from the Fryup Village Hall jumble sale.

Without this contribution it wouldn't have been a success this year. Kirsty to send the village hall committee a thank you letter.

100 club – Forms will be sent out very shortly, Jo and Chris are currently in the final stages of having new paperwork and posters ready to be printed and distributed. This is our most successful fundraiser of the year, so we are hopeful of getting new members to boost this again. Jo and Chris are trying to make it more electronic based, moving the 100 club forward and reduce the amount of cash handled so bank details will be available for online payments along with the usual cash or cheque.

Bingo evening - Halloween bingo night to be held at school on Monday 1st Nov for a 6pm prompt start. Mr Nightingale to call, Gilly to organise the cards and Kirsty to organise refreshments.

Christmas cards – Christmas cards pack have been suggested again for this year, Miss Parkes to ask Mrs Taylor if she can source the company we have used previously and order the packs.

Duck race – planned and to be organised for spring 2022, meeting for this to be arranged.

Christmas hampers – these are usually a success, and we will do these again this year at the Christmas play.

Coffee Morning - we will be holding a coffee morning on Saturday 29th January so please save the date. We will be having a meeting to plan this closer to the time.

Blind cards – Gilly to organise, online and in the village shop, cash prize of £100, £2 per square, complete so winner has cash prize before Christmas.

School business

Mr Nightingale has asked if FOLS would pay for the following items -

A large sand pit that several children can sit in at once, it was discussed that Sarah may have something suitable, also Rebecca has volunteered John to build one if the materials can be supplied.

New books for the Jack and the beanstalk challenge and some wet play resources, it was confirmed that FOLS will pay for these.

A treehouse – ideally an outdoor reading/quiet space but can be used for many activities.

It was mentioned if the Lealholm and Houlskye money could go/pay for one of these and a plaque could be placed on.

Any other business

Garden work and plans are ongoing, school are waiting on more resources that are on order and Poet's nursery have agreed to come and have a look and make some suggestions.

Sophie Wilson will hopefully be running a gardening club from spring 2022

FOLS planned to spend and contribute a significant sum towards the garden project, this was before fern class moved downstairs and the plans went on hold. So, it was suggested we finish off the rest of the garden that's not in use and improve with the rabbit fencing, grass seed etc. A meeting to be held

in spring at the garden so final plans can be made and have the work completed this year by a specialised company rather than asking for volunteers.

Flyers are being distributed to nurseries and the wider community to encourage a growth in numbers for September 2022 and future years. Miss Parkes asked for individuals who had connections with the wider community to help with this.

Thank you to all those that attended.

Meeting closed 9.25pm, next meeting to be confirmed.