

Friends of Fylingdales School

AGENDA



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Present

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27th April, 2022

7.30pm – The Grosvenor, Robin Hoods Bay

1. FOFS aims

Aim of FOFS - The Friends of Fylingdales School was set up to provide 'enriching' experiences for our kids, that complement the educational and pastoral goals of the school.

Data was seen from survey collection (see appendix 1) and discussion had about the results.

Groups felt that the proposed three areas of potential spending for the year ahead (see appendix 1) fitted with FOFS goals, as well as matched the school, student and parent priorities.

Discussion had with Helen T regarding any cultural trips (seen in priorities from surveys etc) planned at school. Current activity is as follows:

- Twinning with Italian school, and one in The Andes. School exploring activities like letter exchange etc. FOFS to link Helen T with another school in central Africa.
- Twinning with city school. Contact fallen thorough so FOFS will try and make contact with another.

Ideas discussed regarding funding a local-ish cultural trip to included the Stephen Joseph Theatre and MIMA. Funding some outreach activity during the visit would be great.

Another word that comes up again and again in the surveys is forest school activity. Helen felt this was too expensive to start a full time provision at the school right now, even with FOFS assistance. Ideas around outdoor learning that FOFS can fund are therefore as follows:

1. Utilise forest at Raithwaite and meet their horticulturalist – follow up with the installation of vegetable beds at school and start some cooking activity
2. Fund some regular beach school activity over a term, either in Ravenscar or RHB.

There is some funding via Sirius coming to the school soon specifically for eco activity, and will fund activity such as: costal, forest and agricultural school. Year 5 and 6 will mainly be engaging in this. In response to this, FOFS may fund activity for the younger kids if seen as an immediate priority.

Discussed at length was the need for EYFS and KS1 books. The amount of money needed is way too much than FOFS can fund, however. There was also discussion regarding if a PTA/FO should be funding such a core resource. We talked about perhaps providing £500-700 to fund books to cover the last two weeks of term for students.

Enrichment books are also low. Magazines are affordable and extremely effective way of enrichment reading and might be fundable by FOFS.

2. Upcoming events

Ideas for how to run the following and sign up to help deliver/plan.

- **Jubilee** – Thursday 26th May

School playground (Fylingdales) event. Light touch event, 3-4pm. Cakes, BBQ and chocolate tombola. Alison Dykes is organising invites. Event to include:

- Human fruit machine – Bec
- Badge table – Dena
- Chocolate tombola – Holly
- Hot dog stand – Jodie
- Tea and cakes – Heather and Becca

Set up – 11am-ish.

Other events coming up

- **School Sports Day** - Cake sale, tea, coffee, juice etc. Older kids to host a stall.
- **Football cards** – July time.
- **Asst.** with sponsored walk and book fair (for books?). Free refreshments from FOFS?
- **Car Park** – village hall car park on offer – August
- **Bags to school** – August

3. Grants – update and planning

Dena to put two ideas together two ideas for the Get Going Grant and bring them to the next meeting. Ideas to include:

- Raithwaite forest and school food-growing project
- Regular beach school provision – linked to onsite resource

4. How to spend it?

Looking at all the feedback and considering how much we have in the bank – some immediate potential items to fund are as follows:

- Fund a whole-school cultural trip to the Theatre or art gallery
- Magazine subscription to *Whizz*, *Pop*, *Bang* and *National Geographic* for a year
- Fund a modest amount of phonics books – to tide the school over to the summer
- Materials for reinstating the pond
- Beach school sessions, until something regular is set up by the school with Sirius funding

Notes: we'd like to hold around £1k in the bank etc for a float and outgoings.

An immediate priority is funding **a theatre/gallery trip for the autumn term**

We will also fund magazines this year

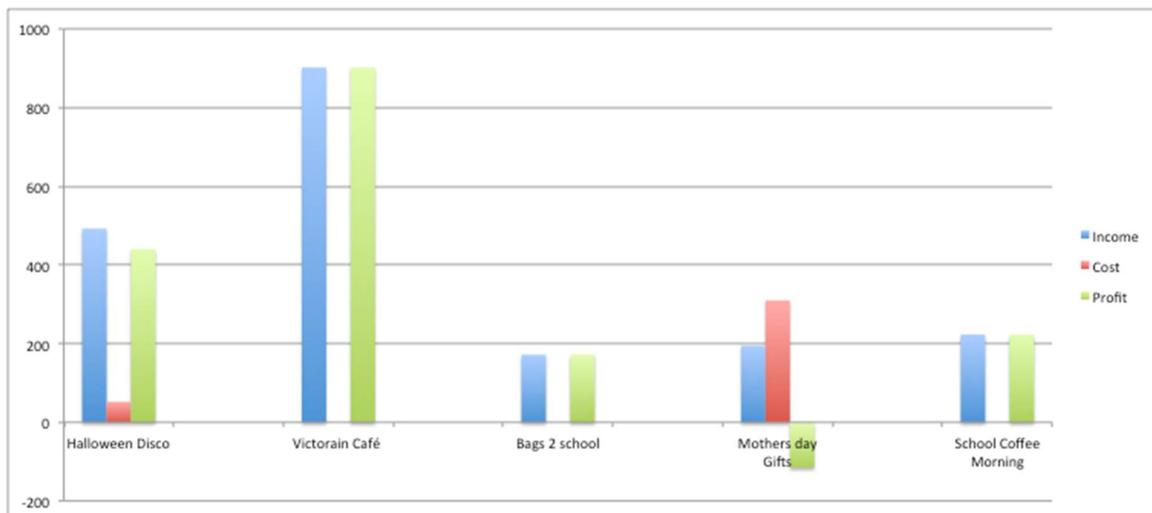
5. Treasurer voting/update

Treasurer reporting. Finances are recorded (in and out) on a WhatsApp stream. All the exec members are on this. Anyone can join, just email FOFS. C.£1k was already in the account. Bec also has a float (c.£200), which is in a safe. Currently, account is c.£3.7K in profit

Best events this past year:

- **Halloween Disco:** £440 made
 - Reflection – easy event to host and cash worked well.
- **Victorian Weekend:** £1,000
 - Reflection – harder to put on, but accessed non-parent money.
- **Bags to school:** £200
 - Reflection – Very easy to do.
- **Mothers day gift reflection** – not as many up take. Learning lesson here. More messaging re things like this in the future – as it was aimed as being both an exciting/enriching act for the children to gift something 'in secret' to parents, as well as a fundraising tool. This is the only small loss so far, but frames are to be sold in the village to make back modest amount of money lost.

Overview of funds:



Volunteers for treasurer role, as John and Helen step aside. Community volunteer, Darren, to be considered.

Darren to be new trustee. Holly proposed this. All attended have ratified this.

Holly to be second signatory. Dena proposed this. All attended have ratified this.

Helen T to be third signatory. Dena this. All attended have ratified this.



6. AOB

Next meeting date 14th June – 6pm – PUB

Actions

Holly

Discuss beach school activity with the Old School House

Check Parentkind regarding film night – copyright etc

Talk to manshed re reinstating the pond

Dena

Look at remaining Covid grant budget and cost up remaining spend (£385 left)

Write GG grant ideas

Connect Helen T and Bibi's old school in central Manchester

Prepare for badge table for Jubilee event

Bec

Research theatre trip

Bring all treasurer documents to Holly

Make FOFS poster for the jubilee event

Make blank event plan for Jubilee event – share/get filled in

Darren Marshall

Take over treasurer role, convert us to online banking

Heather and Becca

Coordinate baking and tea stall in general for Jubilee event WhatsApp groups and Dojo (message Alison dykes)

Jodie

Prep hotdog stand for jubilee event

Parents Survey results

Question 1: The Friends of Fylingdales School was set up to provide 'enriching' experiences for our kids, that complement the educational and pastoral goals of the school. What do you think 'enriching' experiences looks like?

Word frequency from results forest: 12 beach: 7 trips: 5 visits: 4 theatre: 4	children: 4 disco: 4 artist: 4 sport: 4 museum: 3
Other key stuff: Supports learning, widens outlook/cultural experience, gets them outside, helps families who financially struggle (i.e. with transport for trips)	

Question 2: What subjects do you feel are under resourced at the school, in terms of them providing enriching experiences for your child? Answers may be the arts, literacy, science or RE.

Word frequency from results Literacy/reading/books: 9 art: 7 music: 5 arts: 4	drama: 4 sport: 4 science: 3 design: 2
Comments were made regarding students and staff inputting in this decision, which we hope has been represented elsewhere.	

Question 3: If FOFS were to buy specific equipment for the school, what might that be? For example, outdoor play equipment, football posts or an outdoor theatre.

Word frequency from results Outdoor play equipment: 14 books: 8 netball: 3 musical instruments: 3 football: 2	theatre: 2 Art studio: 2 Goals: 2 Trim trail: 2
There were some comments regarding changing the landscaping of the outside space (surfaces, additional sports areas, etc)	



Student survey results

Question 1: What does your dream day at school look like? It doesn't have to be realistic, just dream big! You can go on trips, watch movies, play games, go to the beach - anything!

Top 3: Play, Be outside, play on play equipment (slides, trampolines, climbing frames)
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Question 2: What would make your outside space at school better? Would sports equipment, a climbing frame, a den etc make it loads better? Think big and tell us exactly what you'd love to see!

Top 3: climbing frames, play equipment, swings
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Question 3: what are your favourite subjects? Tell us the top 3.

Top 3: Art, Reading/English, Science

Question 4: how do you like to learn the best? Your teachers do fab things to help you learn, like take you on trips, get you to do group activities and even take you outdoors to do experiments or activities. What's your favourite way to spend class time?

Top 3: Art, playing, trips out

Question 5: what was the favourite thing you've ever done at school?

Top 3: Trips, drawing/painting, playing outside

Current school development plan – key cross over points

There are a few obvious crossover points with the schools development plan, and needs set out by parents and kids. They are detailed above, but connect clearly with the following points for the plan. They are

Quality:

- Delivering a broad and balanced curriculum
- Challenging learners
- Delivering the ERA scheme
- Creating calm and purposeful learning environments

Personal

- Making the mental health of staff and children a priority
- Widening knowledge/engagement in personal and diverse heritage
- Developing student voice

Early years

- Delivering SSP
- Developing complimentary learning spaces

School Development Plan Key Priorities Summary:

