



## Minutes of the Friends of Langshott Committee Meeting Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 in the School Hall

### **Attendees**

Helen Armstrong (Chair) HA  
Carina Glasgow (Secretary) CG  
Parus Patel (Treasurer) PP  
Nina Booker (Assistant Headteacher) NB  
Sarah Limb (SB)  
Emma Hall (EH)  
Ali Fuller (AF)  
Karen Jones (KJ)  
Audrey Romanzin (AR)  
Lauren Cheetham (LC)  
Annemi Muller (AM)  
Kelly Moreno (KM)  
Annie Munday (AM)

### **Apologies**

Carrie Ingram  
Nikki Ziya  
Em Vucinic  
Kelly Radford  
Lucy Bonard  
Jo Basting  
Becky Cresswell

### **Brief Introductions**

HA welcomed all and introduced PP, CG and NB.

### **Finances**

#### **Charity Finances**

HA opened the meeting with an introduction to the current finances. She shared a spreadsheet which showed the total current funds in The Friends of Langshott bank account (£19,308.07). She then talked through the designated and restricted funds which have already been allocated and committed to the school so far. These deductions include £10,000 designated to the All Weather Pitch or 'MUGA' which is a long term project already underway to enhance the outdoor space for children. £2,000 has also been designated to the school Library project and £1,000 has been restricted for spending on classroom books across all years as requested by AF who donated this amount for that specific purpose. Alongside this, there are various subscription fees and expenses for events which are accounted for, leaving a healthy £7,305.83 available for spending.



## Event Fundraising so far

- Preloved Uniform Sale - **£394.56**
- Halloween Bake Sale - **£448.50**
- Father Christmas Letters - £677.77
- Raffle - **£1,715.63**
- Doughies Pizza - **£315.50**
- Easter Trail – Free event
- Spring Art Competition – Free event
- Readathon - **£972.70**
- Disco - **£536.33** (tickets from December sales which will roll over to Jubilee Disco minus any refunds requested)

Total raised so far this year (September 2021 – May 2022) = **£5060.99**

## Spending Highlights

- **£2,800** January 2022 – We doubled our usual contribution to class trips with £200 per class, rather than year group going towards reducing the cost of class trips by **£6.66 per child**.
- **£863** March 2022 – Money raised in the raffle was spent on books. The school chose to use this money for the purchase of much needed bilingual books and were also able to create a travelling library for the children to enjoy on World Book Day which moved through the school class by class so that every child had the opportunity to enjoy the new books. They are now in the library and accessible to all children.

## School Wishlist

The school have asked us to contribute towards the following:

- New Phonics Scheme (Government directed change to the curriculum) - £5,000
- Donation towards covering the courtyard to create more intervention spaces for children - £10,000
- New books for classrooms and library - £2,000 (funds currently already allocated)
- Donation towards All Weather Pitch (MUGA) - £10,000 (funds currently already allocated)

## Preloved Uniform

HA highlights that it is now mandatory for all schools to provide a preloved uniform offering and explains that the Friends have decided to now offer this service free of charge to parents (voluntary contributions welcome) for the remainder of the Summer term. A new email address has been set up specifically for preloved uniform requests ([friendspreloveduniform@gmail.com](mailto:friendspreloveduniform@gmail.com)) and a new donation station will be set up asap for any donations. HA expresses that help is needed for this and any volunteers would be much appreciated to monitor the email inbox and respond to requests, as well as checking the donations bin regularly and putting uniform away in the shed.



It is noted that a 'live sale' will be happening on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May alongside the Year 6 cake and book stall and it is then suggested that these become a regular occurrence perhaps every Friday in the month of May and that it may be something the children can help with. It is decided that if there are enough volunteers to help we will try to make this happen.

### **Upcoming Events**

- **Disco** (rescheduled from Christmas) Platinum Jubilee/Royalty theme 25<sup>th</sup> May 2022
- **Doughies** 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022
- **Summer Celebration & Colour Run** 15<sup>th</sup> July
- **Dare to be Different** 20<sup>th</sup> July
- **Frozen Fridays** 10<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> June and 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> July

HA stresses that help is needed for these events to run – volunteer as little or as much as you are able to with no long term obligation. Some suggestions of how parents can help:

- Volunteer to hand out pizza kits or ice lollies after school (30 mins).
- Company charity sponsor, e.g. Stark will be using Friends of Langshott as their chosen charity for September's Tough Mudder.
- Match Fund – Can your company match fund any of our events?
- Volunteer to help at the disco.
- Volunteer to help at the Summer Celebration – manning the bar or a stall for 30mins.
- Own or know any companies? We are looking for stalls and catering for the Summer Celebration!

### **Q&A**

Q: Voluntary contribution per term – does this go to Friends of Langshott or to the School directly?

A: It goes to the School directly

Q: Which Phonics scheme has the school chosen?

A: Twinkl

Q: What will the new intervention space be used for?

A: A peaceful space for children to be able to sit and read, etc., at lunchtimes

### **Any Other Business**

None. Meeting was closed.