

Friends of Finham  
Meeting 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017



Minutes

**Present:** Jane Long, Ginny Jones, Jo McLean, Gaynor Millar, Dave Long, Jo Price, Jenny McLean, Kirit Raichura, Di Phillips

**Apologies:** Emma Taylor, Rev. Jeremy Hyde, Wil Neale (School liaison), Mark Walmsley (Elizabeth Davenport).

**Bingo Evening**

Planning is coming along nicely:

- Green Lane Social Club is booked and are letting us have the room free again – many thanks!
- David Edwards (a parent) has agreed to be our caller on the night – again many thanks!
- JL will check with the social club if we can use their bingo equipment and PA system.
- We have received £50 sponsorship from Nyanza Autoparts – many thanks Kirit!
- Dave will contact Dhiran to see if Vagdia and Holmes can match this funding.
- Jo Mc will update last year's poster and ask the school to send out to parents with plea for prizes.
- Jane will distribute posters and ask for prizes from local businesses.
- Jenny will ask ATS if they can donate something.
- Dave will ask Future Fitness too.
- Kirit will ask a contact about Wasps tickets.
- Jo Mc will ask her contact about Blaze tickets.
- Jane will ask Tesco to donate the rolls again and will put the chippy on standby. She will also buy dabbers.
- We will also buy Easter eggs as prizes.
- We agreed to run a sweet stall. Jo will ask Wil Neale if the 6<sup>th</sup> form can run this and the tombola; Jo P will buy sweets from Costco and bag up.
- We agreed to also run a tombola: Jo P is happy to be the drop off point for donations; Gaynor volunteered to sort the tickets out; Jo Mc has raffle tickets and will get to Gaynor; 6<sup>th</sup> Form hopefully to run!
- Donations by 10<sup>th</sup> March – will advertise on FB and Twitter.
- Price is agreed at £3 per person including chip batch and first game card.

- Time agreed 7 for 7.30pm start.
- Jo Mc will contact Sarah Jennings to see if she can put a governors table together for the night.

### **Dragon's Den**

Viv has announced this year's competition to staff this morning and sent the poster and application form out to all members of staff. Deadline for applications is Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March with the actual event on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March. Jane, Ginny, Jo and Viv to preside if free!

### **Star Studded evening**

We agreed to meet on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm at the Burnt Post to go through the application for this. School will be asked to email parents for nominations. If anyone knows of any students who volunteer regularly, please let us know! Nominations to close on 17<sup>th</sup> March.

### **Parents Evenings**

Jane and Gaynor will be at the Year 7 parent's Evening on 30<sup>th</sup> March. Jo Mc to update Dragon's Den posters with new winners. We will enter anyone who fills in a contact form into a raffle to win a box of chocolates.

### **Meeting with Viv**

Jane met with Viv who is really keen to introduce us to the new Head once he or she is chosen.

- Non-uniform day will be on the last main exam day, around 29<sup>th</sup> June.
- We will promote "Say goodbye to your tie" to the Year 11's.
- Prospective parents will be visiting the school in June. We will have a stand.
- Jane's letter to the governors (see below) will be included in part in the next parents' letter from school.

### **St Martin's Church**

Rev. Jeremy Hyde's has invited the committee to attend his leaving lunch on April 30<sup>th</sup>. This will be preceded by his final service to which we are all invited. Jane will arrange a leaving present.

### **Godiva Festival**

Jane has contacted the organisers expressing interest in having a stall again on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July. She has ordered flowers for the headbands and will buy headbands from Wilkinsons. Jo Mc has volunteered to help her make them. We will sell the headbands, hats (left from last year) and do festival dots.

## **Uniform**

Rui has cleared the room out at school for us – many thanks for that. Hopefully this will help us find everything!

Jo P will contact Earlsdon School to find out when they hold their summer fete as an alternative/complement to Stivichall's. She will also find out about stalls at the Earlsdon Festival (Bank Holiday).

## **Governors**

We were not invited to a meeting this year so Jane sent a letter to them, outlining our achievements and plans. Viv will ensure that each individual governor receives a copy. There was quite a discussion about the lack of contact between us and the governors. It was agreed that we should try to boost this. Jo Mc will contact Sarah Jennings to see what can be done!

## **AOB**

### **Sponsors**

We agreed to promote all of our sponsors to parents via e-mail once a term. Jane has designed letter heading with the sponsors' logos on the bottom which we agreed to start using.

Elizabeth Davenport have agreed to include Jane's poster explaining the sponsorship deal in each client's selling pack if they are within the catchment area. They are also designing a spreadsheet to give us a running idea of house movement on their books.

### **Easyfundraising**

We will promote this with the sponsors each term. So far we have raised over £43!

### **ASDA**

It was suggested that we apply to ASDA in Cheylsmore to be included in their charity green coin scheme. Jo has forms at home.

### **Burnt Post**

The manager has indicated that he would like to support us in raising money. Jane will see how he feels about an Easter Egg raffle.

### **Next Meeting**

Our next meeting will be on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March **at 7pm** at the Burnt Post in order to chose the winner of our Volunteering in the Community award.

