



Friends of Ashley School
lending a helping hand

23rd April 2018 : Meeting

Minutes

Attendees

Helen Bedford
Tracey Stone
Charlotte Simpson
Lindsey Blake
Faye Curtis-Kay
Jackie Stevens
Heather Lewis
Taryn Freeme
Bethan Seddon
Francesca Rajan
Paula Ward
Jenny Wilson
Mat Goldhawk
Tania Bennett
Lynette Okello
Fahima Moncur
Lara Williams
Samatha Fagg

Apologies

Kaija Gosling
Kathy Neal
Valerie Giblin
Suzanne Todd
Catherine Maloney
Laura Chamberlain
Catherine Taylor
Katie Brindley
Karen Mason
Gina Robinson

1. Welcome

2. Mins from last meeting - All ok – no comments

Noted

3. Financials

Second Hand Uniform sale – approximately £141

Bingo – just short of £1290 raised – but there is surplus stock, this can be sold when the next event is on.

Printer Ink recycling – raises about £50-60 a term (£95 since Sept)

Registered with Giving Machine - (£84 since Sept)

– this needs promotion to use on Ashley parents FB

Noted

Grant – received from Prudential via Tania Bennett for £500

– purchased a book shed and some books for the outside space

Uniform Sales - £1300 raised

Outstanding Balance available to spend - **£24,000 in the bank**

Hold £5k back for Play project and Cooking staff

+ Summer fete coming up so healthy position with £20,000 available to spend. **Noted**

4. Spend requests and update on current projects

Request for £500 for SEND learning support equipment. **Agreed**

Y1 Shelter / cover costs £2007 + the costs of screws + carpenter 2 x £200 day - **Agreed**

Food technician – still looking to recruit.

Job description to post on FOA facebook post, start asap, but realistically Sept start. **Helen B**
Welly stores all in

FOA Shed – needs some shelves

Library – will be open for book week, the big job is cataloguing books onto a new system.

There will be a list of donations needed to be announced.

Audio books – please donate now.

5. Forward Planning

Summer Fete - 16th June - Committee formed.

Ashstock - 14th/15th July – Committee in progress.

6. New Events

No new events discussed at this stage.

7. AOB

a. Gardening Club

Jenny Wilson promoting parents to join the club on Wednesdays.

Focusing on the vegetable plot – discussion about gardening club ideas to get more people involved in the gardening club.

It is very flexible, anything that you can do will be greatly appreciated. Fine to come at 3.10

Excess that the kitchen can't use needs a special store
so parents can access and contribute via an honesty box.

Matt to speak to his carpenter contact. **Matt**

b. Uniform Sales

County Sports and Schoolwear £1350

Shout out to Y2 for juniors uniform and samples available for sizing

Reminder to all – label uniform and codes available for Stampstastic / Uniform sales etc...

Any comments to Lindsey about school uniform **All**

c. Playground Plans

Y1 cover, and marking part of it.

Playground project to create shade and more outdoor seating areas.

Committee shown initial plans of classroom cloisters and living willow individual pods section with shelter.

Using local and sustainable materials.

Working out costings and then will need to discuss funding break down. Potentially maintenance costs going forward.

Need to go through planning to check ok.

Looking at that Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

Listen out for invitation to parent meeting in due course.

d. Road Safety

School expanding and school and parents not happy with the road safety surrounding the school.

Surrey Highways agency have been given some funding £130k, but it needs to be in agreement of the school. Suggestion is to :

- Widening the pavement by clearing away the bus slip – it will be just markings on the road at the same space.
- Update the New Zealand avenue crossing – to be crossed in one go.
- Tentatively this work can start this year, they are coming back in June to let FOA / School know what is happening.

Only one entrance to the school is possible – other options are not viable - so trying to widen this by moving the bus stop.

FOA will write a draft letter to support the other 2 areas of work.

– Fahima /Lindsey

Richard Dunne – will run a communications meeting in due course.

e. Positions vacant on the FOA committee – Academic Year FY18/9

Prior to September, new committee members will need to be found as follows

- **Co- Chair**
- **Co- Chair**
- **Co- Treasurer**
- **Co- Secretary**

Tania Bennet **Co- Treasurer** & Kaija Gosling **Co- Secretary** are continuing their roles. If you are interested in discussing any of these roles please contact us without pressure of commitment.

Next meeting 3rd July

New committee will be voted in at the AGM on the 18th Sept