

F. O. G minutes: Thursday 27th January

Present: BJC, JB, LC, CM, RC, EG, C Todd, N Bover, N Park.

Apologies: JE

Budget update:

- Miss Conroy advised that the balance of the FOG account was around £5000. She is currently awaiting an up to date financial statement.
- Money has been allocated towards Y6 leavers' gifts and to purchase art resources for Cauliflower Christmas Cards in the Autumn Term.

Matters Arising from previous meetings:

- FOG subsidised 10% towards theatre visits to the pantomime in the Autumn Term.
- Mr Davis and Mrs Armstrong were awaiting quotes for balance bike and bike training. Mrs Buckley to approach 'Funky feet' to ask if they offered balance bike training in school and get a quote.
- Due to the current situation with COVID levels in school, Miss Mead has been unable to convene a meeting of the school council to ask for their ideas for spending. Miss Mead will try to arrange a school council meeting this term.
- N Bover advised that Blackwell's funding is charity specific at this time.

Agenda: Valentine's Disco / Easter

- Due to the current situation around high numbers of cases in school, and the need to maintain year group bubbles, the Valentine's discos are unable to go ahead. Possibly reschedule for Easter depending on the situation at that time.
- Easter plans:
 - It was agreed that the Easter 'decorate an egg' competition would go ahead as usual.
 - Mrs Callaghan suggested the children decorate an Easter bonnet and parade around the perimeter of the school. Members then discussed if an Easter mask or an Easter T-shirt may be other options - Miss Mead to take to school council and feed back at the next meeting.
 - N Bover suggested the children may like an Easter Egg hunt around the school grounds - members agreed this could be organised in year group bubbles if necessary.
 - Mrs Carnelly agreed to contact local Tesco stores and Heron to ask for donations of Easter eggs as prizes.
 - Final plans around Easter discos and activities to be agreed at the next meeting.

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- Miss Conroy suggested FOG contribute or purchase a portable green screen to allow the children to produce high-quality work, which often goes home to parents. Mrs Callaghan has been looking into this already. Members agreed that FOG should purchase; Mrs Callaghan to follow-up.
- N Park asked if any progress had been made on contacting a mobile petting zoo: N Park to get contact information and pass to Miss Conroy to follow-up.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 10th March