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Friends of Earith School

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Meeting Minutes 15th June 2022
Meeting held at Earith Primary School

Attended By:	Tom Abbs (Head of School), Dan Wilderspin (Chair), Phil Mudge (Treasurer), Laura Dartford (Secretary), Teresa Kell (Member), Amy Strong (Member), Lizzie Dowell-McGrillan (Member), Louise Miceli (Member)	Apologies	Kelly Swales (Member), Kerry Hutchins (Member)
		Minutes taken by:	Laura Dartford

Action Point	Title	Comments	Action	By whom
1	<i>Disco feedback</i>	There was a good turnout and the children enjoyed it. The event ran smoothly. Points for next time: parents to collect at the back of the school hall; possibly no glow-sticks; slightly reduce the time to an hour and 30 minutes, to run from 6pm – 7:30pm; Ask Disco Dave to reduce the volume slightly.	-	-

2	<i>Confirmation of dates in-year & logistics: cakes, raffle, toy tombola, non-uniform etc</i>	The next cake sale will be held on Friday 1 st July, donations from Cygnet Class.	FOES volunteers required to run the cake stall. Send poster on Parentmail and post on social media.	ALL – please advise if you can help. Laura
		Summer raffle will be drawn by Tom straight after school on Thursday 14 th July. FOES will run a toy tombola and sell refreshments.	Check number of toy donations already received and re-advertise as necessary. FOES volunteers required to run the toy tombola, refreshments, and to help Tom with the raffle draw.	Laura Louise/Dan/Lizzie/Phil can attend. Possibly Teresa. Kerry and Kelly to confirm availability. Laura unable due to change in working hours. Amy unable to attend.
		Non uniform day will take place on the last day of term. The theme is summer/beach. Suggested donation of £1 per child.	Purchase ice lollies. Purchase 3x prizes for best dressed – 1 per class. Poster required to advertise the event	Volunteer required ASAP for both points. Laura

3	<i>Next year dates & questions from Tom e.g: Christmas; Dance-a-thon, quiz night etc</i>	Sponsored Dance-a-thon to take place in October on a Monday morning in the school hall / on the school field (weather depending).	Date TBC. Tom requires the details in an email. Sponsor forms to be created.	Teresa Teresa
		Quiz night – to take place on Friday 14 th October in the school hall. 7-9:30pm.	Purchase prosecco / wooden spoons for prizes. Create a poster to advertise the event.	TBC, volunteer required. Laura
		Christmas Bazaar to be held on Thursday 1 st December in the school hall.	Separate meeting required. TBC	Dan to arrange.
4	<i>Chicken update</i>	Tom advised that Cygnets class should receive the eggs in incubators into their classroom on Tuesday 21 st June. The lady will teach the children how to care for the chicks. They will live in the classroom at first, then either the lady or Tom will take them home until they are ready to return to site, which should be on approximately 8 th August. The chickens will be very beneficial to the children from a curriculum/citizenship/5R perspective FOES to donate £500 towards the cost of the chickens.	Volunteers required to look after the chickens on the school grounds during the summer holidays. Once the chickens are settled, look in to getting donations of chicken feed from local businesses.	Laura, Louise, Teresa (please let Tom know if anyone else would like to volunteer). Dan to enquire at the brewery about donating left over grains.
5 and 6	<i>Pupil Voice / Trips</i>	All the children that Tom has asked so far on the school council are very keen to participate in a school trip. It is looking likely that 1 trip per class will be organised, so each event can be age appropriate.	Further details required.	School staff to discuss, then once details and costs are known, FOES can discuss how much money to donate.

		Tom has suggested that pupil voice suggests the school/pupils would like/ will benefit from an Amphitheatre. It is will support the curriculum for PE, music, the arts and English (oracy/drama) It will also benefit the children with their creativeness and encourage them to self-lead plays/dance at breaks/lunch	Get the opinion of all the children. Look into costs.	Tom Tom
7	<i>FOES / Ethos, Vision, Values of School</i>	FOES need a written piece to spread awareness/their mantra/work. Recommendation from Tom re in-line with school's ethos, vision/values that was shared ahead of AGM/HT Report	The school website needs updating with this piece of literature.	Dan
8	<i>Swimming</i>	The upkeep of the school pool is very costly. Tom and FOES feel strongly about keeping the pool in use and recognise the importance from a physical and mental health perspective. Being able to swim is also paramount for our children as Earith is located on the river.	Look into getting a grant for solar panels. This will greatly reduce the running costs to heat the pool. FOES to reflect on whether this is something they would contribute towards running costs of in future years, given the offer Tom would like to sustain – moving forward, this offer may not be financially viable	TBC – volunteers required FOES to reflect on contribution proposal for next academic year onwards.
9	<i>AOB</i>	FOES suggested that a monetary donation could be made to each class.	Teacher feedback required to find out what resources they would like, and the costs involved. FOES can then decide on a budget.	Tom
		Mats for the outside gym still need to be purchased. FOES to donate £1,000.	Update required.	Tom/Debbie.

Next meeting: TBC. Dan to arrange.