

## **Friends of Lavant Minutes**

### **24<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

Present: Claire Griffiths , Amanda Smith, Michelle Berry, Elaine Shepherd, Rosie Freshwater, Emma Thompson, Katy Wellar, Jennie Lindfield, Cheryl Court, Sarah Fenmore-Collins, Mel Belderson

Apologies: Claire Evison, Alison Shopland

#### **Welcome**

##### **1. Minutes – Approved**

##### **OUTSTANDING ACTIONS:**

**Lottery grant still needs to be actioned**

##### **2. Correspondence**

The Friends have received their annual donation from Goodwood.

2 x tickets for Goodwood Races 27<sup>th</sup> August

2 x tickets for Festival of Speed 30<sup>th</sup> June

We also received a letter of thanks from The Village Hall for our participation in the Christmas Fayre

##### **3. Financial Overview**

Business Account = £5590.40

Savings Account = £3506.81

The Christmas mugs raised a total of £98

The total profit from the abseil was £4846 for the school and £2000 for feeding futures

The Xmas Fair raised £1209 including £87 from the Village Christmas Fayre

The Christmas Disco raised £252

We have just received £100 from the YMCA for our donation following the Autumn Jumble Sale

Mr King expressed his thanks on behalf of the school for the new tablets that are now in use.

The Friends have received a donation of £50 from Cynthia Blades. We would like to express our thanks for her very kind donation.

**ACTION: Rosie to put a list of everything the Friends have bought this school year into the next newsletter**

#### **4. Future of the Friends**

Amanda has confirmed she is stepping down from September 2017 as Co-Chair and asked that anyone interested in assuming the role of Chair speaks to her, or Claire Griffiths privately about the role.

Mr King expressed his thanks to Amanda for everything she had done over the years for the school. It is very much appreciated!

#### **5. Staff equipment requests**

The Friends have received a letter from Mrs Yelland and Wren Class asking for a bike shelter.

Cheryl Court volunteered her partner to come and put it up.

**ACTION: Mr King to research options and make a recommendation to the Friends**

The School Council would like a decking area and pagoda for a performance area where the old shed was outside Pheasant.

**ACTION: Friends to purchase the decking and Pagoda in advance of the grounds clearing day on 1<sup>st</sup> April**

#### **6. Events for Spring Term**

**Film Night** - The next Film night is to be for KS1 only as there is plenty already on offer for KS2. The Friends are to find a short film for Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March.

**Valentines Cake Sale is the 10<sup>th</sup> Feb 3 – 4pm**

The people who run Forest School are raising money for additional work with selected children at Lavant who are really benefitting from their involvement.

The Friends have been asked to run a hot refreshments stall at a stargazing by torchlight event at Kingley Vale on the 10<sup>th</sup> Feb between 6.00pm and 8.30pm.

The Friends have agreed to this and are looking for volunteers. All who volunteer can attend and bring their children for free.

**Jumble Sale – March 11<sup>th</sup>**

Donations to be brought into school in the week running up to the sale

**ACTION: Amanda to sell the Keyboard and Guitar from the last sale ASAP**

**ACTION: Paul Freshwater to put signs up before hand**

**Mother's Day Sale – Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> March**

**Easter Cake Sale – 6<sup>th</sup> April**

**Easter Egg Hunt in school – 7<sup>th</sup> April**

The Friends have yet to hear about the Village Duck Race.

The Friends are launching an Easter Bonnet / Easter Garden competition for the children.

All entries to be in on the 3<sup>rd</sup> April for display in the school and an Easter Bonnet parade.

**ACTION: Amanda to put a letter out about the competition**

**ACTION: Prizes to be bought for the competition**

## **7. AOB**

A family social evening has been suggested to help parents socialise together. Mr King as suggested a Beetle Drive or games night to be held at the school.

**ACTION: Amanda to think about social activities**

**ACTION: Committee members to make their suggestions at the next Friends meeting**

Amanda has suggested a Colour Run for our major fundraiser in the summer term.

**ACTION: Mr King to read up on what is involved**

Michelle reminded Mr King about the 500 Club as a way of raising additional funds for the school from those parents who are unable to donate time.

**ACTION: Mr King to take it to the next full Governors meeting.**

**ACTION: Amanda to organise another second hand uniform sale**

**ACTION: Rosie to put second hand uniform reminder in the newsletter**

Next Friends meeting: we agreed 1<sup>st</sup> March but didn't realise at the time this clashes with Inter-Schools Road Race Challenge. Therefore this date has changed to 8<sup>th</sup> March, and taking place at school.