

**FOSHJS Meeting**  
**Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Sept 2023 6pm**  
**Arlebury Park Bar**



**Present:**

Sue Griffiths, Stacey Lakeman, Cindy Cooper, Sabrie Marsden, Anita, Liz Storey, Abigail Jones.

**Apologies:**

Katrin, Claire Tan, Mandy Denning, Lexi,

**Previous Minutes agreed:** yes

**Headteacher report:**

Thank you for setting up the new FOSHJS as we didn't think we'd end up with a friends group.

Back to school social seemed like a great success and seemed to raise quite a lot of money. Rapid relief team were brilliant. RRT also donated 3 kookaburra cuddly toys which the children will decide what their roles could be. Possibly link one to the fundraising group staffed by the children. RRT will come in to do an assembly.

Thank you. We look forward to carrying on working with you and raising the funds for those extra bits for the children.

**Chairperson:**

Thank you to our attendees this evening and to Stacey and Cat for being part of the friends committee this year. A special mention to Cindy Cooper too, who has helped endlessly with the new designs for flyers and logos.

It has already proved to be a busy team with arranging volunteers for the Alresford show, planning and running the Back to School Social and planning lots more activities throughout the year.

The Back to School social was our first big event and the feedback we've received, particularly about RRT who were able to support us with the BBQ, has been fantastic. We raised just over £1200 which will go towards our fundraising goals for this year which will primarily go towards additional adventure playground equipment on the field.

We look forward to many more events in the next year and want to thank our volunteers in advance for their support – we couldn't do it without you.

## Treasurer update:

The Community Account total (as of 27.09.23) £11'506.28

IAS Account total (as of 27.09.23) £1'003.63

Cash tin (as of 27.09.23) £169.87

## Income

Income from July 2023 for end of term events:

- £287 from Summer Raffle – Thank you Lorraine Dolding-Smith!
- £257.92 from Ice pop sales (on Thursdays), end of term picnic sales and glitter tattoos– Thank you to all volunteers.
- £186.24 from leavers performance bar – Thank you to all volunteers!
- End of School disco - £445.00
- Easy Fundraising payment = £22.88

Income so far this year (2023-2024)

BACK TO SCHOOL SOCIAL (not included in current total as not banked)

- Tickets Sales = £611.50
- Bottle tombola = £321.90
- Tuck Shop = £151.06
- Toy Tombola = £122.30
- Bar = £45.50
- Glitter Tattoo's = £50.00
- Sum-up = £116.50

TOTAL INCLUDING EXPENDITURE (see below) £1'237.05

## Expenditure July – September 2023

- Isobel Dix – Donation to Year 6 leavers party =£280.00
- Isobel Dix – Wine for leavers production bar = £39.00
- Beth Morton expenses for FOSHJS leavers = £135.00
- Anita Lamont expenses for back to school social = £181.71
- SHJS payments – Licence for bars = £21.00 x2 (from disco income)
- SHJS payments – disco lights and refreshments = £267.90 (from disco income)
- SHJS payments – bubbles and punch balloons = £62.93 (from disco income)
- SHJS payments – Colour printing = £50.00 (from disco income)

Some stock still held in PTA cupboard in regards to drinks, snacks, toys etc which should be recorded as assets against the spending above.

## Future purchases to be approved:

- New lights for the school hall – to be in by December 2023
- Library – additional fundraising?
- Trail Blazer costs?
- Adventure playground additions
- Events - Elf day, glow party, Christmas discos

## Income to follow-up:

- Alresford Show – Cat emailed Phil Fearnley 29/9/23
- Donation Station?

## Back to school social feedback:

RRT massive thank you. Great burgers and veggie burgers.

Drink tombola was a great success with so many bottles being donated and parents taking multiple tickets to try and win them back!  
Toy tombola – possibility for winner every time. Either for a bubble wand or actually just give them a toy.

#### Spending requests:

- o Donation for school hall lighting
  - 3 quotes coming in at around £5000 for lighting rig and lighting desk.
- o Upcycled outdoor benches from Alresford men's shed - £100
- o Online Panto £140 popcorn & a drink.
  - Action:** Find out from the children if they liked it.
- o Mobile A/C units for classrooms – this is on the agenda with the H&S meetings with the MAT.
- o Library – promised £3000
- o Trailblazer
  - To train a teacher – for teach the teacher. NEU union member may get free training. **Action:** Mrs Griffiths to find out more about this opportunity,
- o Adventure playground
  - Fundraise ready for installation summer holiday 2024. 2 pieces were £6000
- o Elf day
  - Collect homeware/gifts for the children to buy a Christmas present for their loved ones?
  - Reindeer food stand  
(expenses – oats, food colouring, rice, biodegradable glitter for the magic?)

### Future activities requiring planning/support/volunteers

- o BAGS2YOU (drop off 9am 4<sup>th</sup> October)  
**Action:** message to parents requesting soft toys in the toy donation box rather than bags2you.
- o Elf Day (1<sup>st</sup> December)  
groups of 6 coming out of class; making the reindeer food and then the Christmas gift shop for loved ones with a chosen and wrapped gift. Collect gift bags.
- o Christmas discos (12<sup>th</sup> December)  
Year 3 and 4 straight after school with 15 minutes gap then year 5/6 at 5-6:15PM  
Expenses – a drink and a snack. Volunteers = staff usually stay. 6 adults in the hall and then some doing the refreshments.
- o Christmas cards (September project)  
Charley has sorted this and they're doing them already.
- o Online panto snacks & drinks to purchase and deliver
- o Glow party  
**Action:** Anita - Message Chris to see availability in Jan/Feb
- o Uniform donations/resale

### AoB

- o Location and access to PTA cupboard  
**Action:** Mrs Griffiths to have a look – new cupboard to be fitted, but not likely to happen soon. **Action:** Need to let AYA know that we're going to need occasional access when they're in the common area.
- o Alresford show payments from 2022 & 2023.  
**Action:** Cat to contact Phil Fearnley to ask for the donations. Emailed 29/09/23
- o Book amnesty  
To populate the library and for a book sale in March for World Book Day.
- o Sponsored read  
To buy more books for the school library

### Date of next meeting

TBC