

## Friends of St Mary's Meeting Minutes

September 29, 2016

*Present:* Susan Armstrong, Gloria Bradshaw, Helen Currie, Mandy Green, Kirsty Jernskau, Kathryn Jobes, Eve Jones, Claire Mearns, Clare Salmon, Leanne Sanderson, Susan Soan, Lisa Smith, Siobhan Thompson, Mr J Wheatley

*Apologies:* Mandy Oswell, Vicky Grey

---

### Discussion Points

#### 1) Christmas Cards.

This year we will be doing Christmas cards from the children. Cards to be produced in class with teachers' week commencing 17/10 so we have plenty of time to meet 4<sup>th</sup> November deadline to get artwork approved and sent off. Religious theme.

**Lisa** to speak to Mrs Cameron re Duckpool

Next year been proposed to produce calenders. One suggestion was do children's photos by birthday month

Year book was discussed but is extremely time consuming to produce and is done as a Year 6 "leaving" activity so agreed to keep it purely for Year 6 parents to produce/organize.

#### 2) 200 Club.

Mandy Oswell has taken over running of 200 club from Helen Currie. All numbers are currently taken but new numbers have been allocated to reception parents who have inquired. (Actually 223 club at the moment). Runs till December and feeling is some of last year's Y6 parents may not continue in January so will revert back to 200 club. Back up volunteers to help run are Claire Mearns / Kirsty Jernskau

#### 3) Friends roles & responsibilities

Helen Currie to remain as Treasurer for 2016/17.

Mandy Green to step down as Chair. Lisa Smith is newly appointed Chair for 2016/17 and Vice Chair is Kathryn Jobes.

A few feedback forms received from Parents – positive comments. Suggestion of yearbook to be produced- too time consuming (see above) so keep it as a Year 6 project.

4) **Xmas Raffle.**

Info to be included in next week's newsletter (6/10) asking for donations for raffle prizes. Looking for Star Prizes – last year included Falcon tickets, photoshoot. As smaller prizes come in will put together hampers like last year

Raffle will be drawn after mass last week of term and raffle books sent home in blue bags

**Claire Mearns** to contact Team Valley Printers re costs for tickets. Last year 500 books of 5 cost £90 as cost comparison.

**Eve, Kirsty, Vicky, Mandy G, Leanne** contacting local business' to ask for prizes (use revised copy of letter to send out). Kathryn to give Eve list of people to contact that she uses for her other charity.

**Susan Soan** to contact "child friendly" places for vouchers/passes

**Any other links that people have can we please ask for donations – everything appreciated.**

5) **Childrens Nativity**

**Mr Wheatley** to speak to Phil re availability for producing this years nativity video Photos to be produced by school and sold by Friends at the performances.

Baubles for reception class ? **Lisa** to speak to Mrs Joyce if would like to do it

6) **Pantomime**

Agreed that basic refreshments will be provided by Friends of St Mays. Small bottle of water / snack handed out before performance

7) **Future Events**

We will be doing Mother's Day event and another Summer Family Event – scale and timescales to be agreed next meeting

8) **Match Funding**

Claire Mearns can look at doing Match funding for 2 events – agreed upon Xmas Cards and Summer Event

**Next Meeting Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 9am**