



Friends of Manby Lodge PTA Meeting.
Meeting Minutes
24th Jan 2020

People Present

Cassie Elmer, Mel Thomas, Elaine Henderson, Leah Williams, Kirsty Hedger, Jennie Shields, Laura Scott, Sophie Bishop, Alex Andrews, Catherine Raku-Evans, Miss Morris

Apologies: Charlotte Dury, Emily McCormick

Monies raised to date: (Oct – Jan) TOTAL £6,571

Biggest earners being:

- Christmas Fair £4,194
- Christmas Raffle £835
- Tote Bags £850
- Pumpkin Display £137
- Wreath Making £139
- Cake Sale £146

Monies spent to date: (Oct – Jan) TOTAL £2,810

- Reading books £1,000
- Year Group Donations £1,300
- 25% contribution to school trips £221
- Hire for chairs at the 2019 graduation £167
- Christmas trees and decorations for reception children £26
- Donation to the Daffodil Room for Miss Riches £95

The Hobgoblin pantomime which the children enjoyed in December was paid for in July 19 and is not included in this total

The current Friends of Manby Lodge bank account holds approximately. £23k

Second Hand Uniform.

It was suggested that there be a second-hand uniform sale for the new parents starting in September 2020 before the term starts. It was also suggested that we allocate a couple of people to the role of 'Second-Hand Stall management,' so the same people get out the second hand uniform at every event.

People at the meeting were all very keen to get a second hand sale going ASAP.

Manby Caps.

With Spring coming, it's a good idea to push the sale of the Manby Caps. The caps can be purchased from reception and all the money made on the caps go directly to the school. It appears that people are unaware the caps are for sale in reception so we need to make this known somehow.

Easy Fundraising

Easy Fundraising! Remember to set a reminder on your phone/tablet/computer via the Easy Fundraising App so ensure FoML receive a donation each time you shop on-line. Let's not forget Amazon Smile, Cash for Coins.

Facebook and Instagram

Need to make it widely known that we do have a Instagram and Facebook account. Discussed adding links to these sites at the bottom of Whatsapp messages sent out by reps.

Library Revamp

The revamping of the library was bought up, and Miss Morris has already asked FoML for support in the funding of this. The work to the library will include painting and shelving. Miss Morris is also trying to gain external funding from Tim Oliver, Conservative Leader of the Council for Weybridge. Once the renovation is complete, there would be a shout out for second hand books! Also discussed was a New Book Donation Day.

Ipads

Miss Morris has asked FoML to fund the purchases of new Ipads. The cost of the new ipads would be £10k. Suggestions of another type of tablet or laptop were mentioned to help cut costs. It was mentioned that Chrome Books were funded by the PTA a couple of years ago so Manby children are already used to using these and they are used at Cleves for the children to do their homework on and could be something for us to consider?

School Funding due to relocation

There has been a considerable loss to school funding due to one particular class having many children relocate. Miss Morris will be asking FoML to make up the loss by donating £1k-£1.5k per year group.

Sheds

It has been brought to Miss Morris attention that the sheds on the ball court could do with being replaced as they are looking a little run down. We discussed getting sheds that would act more weather proof, e.g. plastic ones. If this was to happen we discussed having the second hand uniform displayed inside one of these sheds, which would make it much easier to sell as it would all be hung up on rails for everyone to see.

Pantomime Trip

Miss Morris mentioned that Mrs. Moxon had been looking into a pantomime trip for the whole school, happening every other year (with the Hobgoblin Pantomime company visiting in-between years) FoML would be asked to donate £1000 for the trip but parents would still need to donate £25 per child. The majority of people agreed this was too much money to ask for. We then discussed seeing if there were cheaper options, but the coach alone costs £1000. Riverhouse Barn was also mentioned, with thought that they could maybe do something cheaper too.

Daffodil Cd

There are still 13 copies of the CD the children made to raise money for the Daffodil Room in St Peters Hospital where Miss Riches got to spend time with her baby.

Other fundraising Ideas

Other options we discussed to raise money were a school disco, movie nights in the hall, movie sing-a-long nights and clothing/textile recycling schemes.

Summer Ball

The PTA would love to hear from anyone interested in heading or joining the Summer Ball committee. Please feel free to contact FoML at friendsofmanbylodge@yahoo.co.uk

Miss Morris also wanted noted that she is very grateful for all the effort everyone is putting in to raise money for our school.