



Friends of Ditchheat School

12th November 2019 – 3pm

Attendees: Committee members – Charlie Lilley (Chair), Helen Russell (Deputy Chair), Gemma Travis (Secretary)

Other attendees: Victoria Withers, Kate Rowe, Elly Wadsworth

Item		Action
1.00	Welcome and apologies Apologies from Alex Shrimpton, Kat Brooklyn and Kirsty Senior	
2.00	Reviewed and agreed last minutes.	
3.00	Finance £7k in the bank. VW would like us to release funding for music and trips now which is circa £3K. VW to confirm final costings for sound clouds to include working with asbestos costs. Part funded by Paul Nichols and money from NASS (circa £1500). Co-op funding – need to encourage people to register and nominate FoDS as their cause. Pay £1 to be a member. Roughly £1K if we do nothing but not till the end of the year. Note: Post meeting KB confirmed more Glastonbury money has come in so have over £10K in the bank account. Also need to pay for panto and hall hire. Panto cost is £315.	KB VW ALL KB
3.00	Events	
3.01	Halloween – great success. Games/craft room was very well received. Need to ensure we have a quiet room for towards the end of next year. Also need DBS checked people to sit with kids. GT, CL and HR will all be DBS. KB and KS to confirm if they would also like to be DBS checked. It is free because we are a charity. Made £300 profit which is great. Possibly consider splitting the year groups next year and running it as 2 parties to avoid little ones being overwhelmed ie. 45 mins each? To discuss next year. DJ is £70 for 2 hours so no extra cost.	KB/KS ALL
3.02	Auction of Promises / 80s Disco – Dan Wadsworth is organising and date is confirmed for 7 th February. Will hold at Ditchheat Jubilee Hall. GT to cancel rugby club booking. Possibly see if Cubano Bus will attend.	EW/GT GT
3.03	May Day – still pending response from council re: road closure. Also unsure re pub.	
3.04	Nails Day – need to consider planning for this.	
3.05	Xmas Ball in Ditchheat on December 7 th – need to provide one person or a couple of people to help with the bar. If we want a table we need to book soon. KR has said she will do bar. Could anyone else share	KS/AS/EW /KB/KR

	with her? GT, CL and HR all now unavailable. KS / AS / EW / KB to confirm if could help please.	
3.06	Xmas lunch – Volunteers are AS, KB, GT, CL and Janna (mother of Edie in reception class). KR and KS are both possibly available. Dan Wadsworth may also be available. Need to check Leanne Swann, Lizzie Longman, Si Lilley, Trudy and Siobhan.	EW to confirm DW GT
3.07	Christmas Carols – mince pies and mulled wine – are going to hold on the garden in front of school so that we do not lose footfall of people not being allowed in the hall. Will put up the gazebo and have some Xmas carols playing. Donations only rather than price for food and drink.	ALL
3.08	Quiz All agreed budget of £235 for food and hall hire. All to push sales of tickets as not many sold yet.	
3.09	Fete GT has agreed to run the Alhampton fete again. Alhamptonians are happy to do a 3-way split on proceeds between FoDS, Air Ambulance and a cancer charity, TBC. Discussions around whether we would rather run a Ditcheat fete but had no response from man with the train track and the Alhampton fete raised a good amount of money. Running a second fete would be difficult and the set up does not lend itself to it easily. All happy to go ahead with supporting Alhampton fete. Need to ensure we get country dancers at the fete again. GT to discuss with Miss Crook whether Year 6 want to be involved or whether they will run their own fete again. Would be good to do one. Date confirmed for 4 th July 2019.	GT GT
4.00	Marketing	
	Facebook admin has now been passed over. All committee members to have access and help where necessary. Pay for some boosting where necessary – very small cost for good return.	COMM
5.00	Trips £24 per child. Funding so far as follows: Space Dome – funded for all 4 classes to attend. It will come to school – planetarium projections etc. Cherry – Somerset levels Maple – Somerset levels and Rural Life Museum Holly – Trips to London and Bristol Willow – Bovington Tank Museum, trip to London and a residential trip to Bristol	
6.00	Any other business	
6.01	Can school please share the FoDS facebook page and also any of the FoDS events please. VW to do.	VW
6.02	BBQ – KR will chase again for its return.	KR
6.03	Shed – FoDS would like to hold key. Various discussions about the practicality of this and reasons. Will need a chat with Rose Boyce and agree a date for removing everything that is not FoDS equipment. Currently no space as have lawnmower and large padded PE equipment to store as well. Suggest FoDS fund a new shed for school. VW very keen and as big as possible. All happy to fund as small cost.	

	GT and CL to look at costs. Possible ex-display models.	GT/CL
7.00	Date of Next FoDS meeting: TBC in the new year	

September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
1	1	1 Half term	1	1 NY Day	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2 Xmas hols	2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3 Xmas hols	3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4 Easter Egg Hunt	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6 Panto	6	6	6	6 Easter hols	6	6	6
7	7	7	7 Xmas Ball, Ditcheat	7	7 Auction of Promises/Disco	7	7 Easter hols	7	7	7
8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8 Easter hols	8 VE Day Bank Hol/Street Party	8	8
9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9 Easter hols	9	9	9
10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10 Good Friday	10	10	10
11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13 Easter Monday	13	13	13
14	14	14	14	14	14 Inset day	14	14 Easter hols	14	14	14
15	15	15 Quiz Night	15	15	15	15	15 Easter hols	15	15	15
16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16 Easter hols	16	16	16
17	17	17	17	17	17 Half term	17	17 Easter hols	17	17	17
18	18	18	18 School Xmas Lunch	18	18 Half term	18	18	18	18	18
19	19	19	19	19	19 Half term	19	19	19	19	19
20	20	20	20 Xmas Carols 2pm Mulled wine/mince pies	20	20 Half term	20	20	20	20	20 Inset Day
21	21	21	21	21	21 Half term	21 Nails Day, Ditcheat,2pm	21	21	21	21 Summer hols
22	22	22	22	22	22	22 Mother's Day	22	22	22	22 Summer hols
23	23	23	23 Xmas hols	23	23	23	23	23	23	23 Summer hols
24	24	24	24 Xmas Eve	24	24	24	24	24	24	24 Summer hols
25	25 Halloween Disco 6.15-7pm	25 Bags2School	25 Xmas Day	25	25	25	25	25 Spring Bank Hol	25	25
26	26	26	26 Boxing Day	26	26	26	26	26 Half term	26 Inset day	26
27 MacMillan Coffee Morning 9am	27	27	27 Xmas hols	27	27	27	27	27 Half term	27	27 Summer hols
28	28 Half term	28	28	28	28	28	28	28 Half term	28	28 Summer hols
29	29 Half term	29	29	29	29	29	29 Basg2School	29 Half term	29 Inset day	29 Summer hols
30	30 Half term	30	30 Xmas hols	30		30	30	30	30	30 Summer hols
	31 Half term		31 NYE	31		31		31		31 Summer hols