

# St Fergus School Association

## Meeting minutes 07.02.24

Present:- Suzanne Watson, Sarah Morrison, Mrs Robertson, Mrs Sutherland, Leigh-Anne Burnett, Adele Smart, Karen Davie, Zoe Biccocchi, Kate Robertson, Elizabeth (Jacob Smith), Mrs Leys, Mrs Morgan joined us later.

1. Apologise: - Mrs Nicola Davidson, Claire Thompson, Matthew James (councillor)
2. Christmas fayre: successful event, raffles were very busy. Need more helpers in future. Get dates booked in early. Pencilled in for 30<sup>th</sup> of November and give advent calendars instead of selection boxes. Too early for a Christmas tree light switch on. Soup & sweet or buttery style event one year and then a later evening event in future year to rotate. Things to think for future like bottle stall and kids stalls. Big thank you for everyone's help. It raised £1547.83
3. Raffles/donations and local businesses: Adele looking for help and advice on how to deal with this going forward. Needs to be done as committee rather than people approaching Adele on an individual basis. Adele is happy to approach people if we can recommend them. Pop a letter home to ALL children asking for businesses to provide either a raffle (small or large) or a voucher or a monetary contribution. Draft up a letter with the future fundraiser events listed and the things we are looking for and the school can distribute and put the SFSA email address on for replies. Use that letter also for local businesses that don't have children in the school. Make an official list of businesses who we ask. **Suzanne to draft it up and send to Adele.**
4. Fundraising ideas and dates: Easter event – soup and sweet - 16<sup>th</sup> March (11am-1pm) – **Sarah to check if hall is available.** Adele borrowed soup kettles from church previously. **Kate to ask her dad if he has a portable fridge.** Scarecrow trail competition to run in October 2024 and open up to the whole village. Bingo Tea on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025? Halloween Disco – up entry fee to £2 entry - Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October. Look for a cheaper DJ. Some kind of event early October? Book the hall for something just incase - 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of October for buttery morning or bingo tea? **Sarah to set up a group for 'Bakers' correspondence.**

5. Netball gala: Would like to host the first gala of the year. Friday 17<sup>th</sup> of May. Same set up as last year. 4pm-6pm. BBQ was very successful. Homebakes, popcorn and teas/coffees/juice. Serve our own ice-cream – **Adele to find out a price from Peters**. Have a Makro card to buy juice and crisps. Any leftover items would be available for Halloween disco. **Adele to ask face painter**.
6. Easter eggs for competition: Head Teachers are asking if SFSA are happy to donate the chocolate egg prizes. 18 eggs required.
7. Out of school clubs: Breakfast clubs and after school clubs are going to stop, however Penny Marshall (employability child poverty co-ordinator) contacted Adele. Mrs Sutherland has suggested to ask her along to the next SFSA meeting. Awaiting Penny to contact Adele with more information.
8. Mrs Morgan ELC: Looking for support to revamp the nursery garden. Been vandalised in the past. CCTV has helped this to stop. Muddy Monday and Topper Tuesday encourages outdoor learning. Flower beds need revamped and taken away. Need to clear the space. This will happen on 29<sup>th</sup> February. Tammy from Shell had mentioned in the past that they would contribute to the garden – **Kate will ask Tammy – might get site groundsmen**. Looking for volunteers to help. **Suzanne will look into Shell grant application**.
9. Head teachers report – Mrs Sutherland will email to Suzanne (will attach to minutes)
10. AOCB: Entrance way and reception is being painted by PX Limited.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024