

FOLs meeting minutes 27/03/18

Apologies - Tessa

Present – Adie, Emily, Helen, Jan, Kayleigh, Michelle, Robert, Shirley, Siobhan

Welcome Adie to the FOLs team!

AGM –

We elected Robert as treasurer, Kayleigh as chair and Michelle as secretary. Emily will be vice-chair and Jan will be vice-secretary.

Prom / celebration party-

We discussed the prom / celebration party and decided that it was to be most successful within school hours. We discussed ideas of party food, disco DJ and a party theme. We would like the school council to think about what party theme they would like for the Larkrise leavers party/prom. Date to be confirmed.

We thought that the leavers would appreciate a memorable journal of their Larkrise school memories. Which would be a lovely keepsake as they move forward and start their new chapter in life. We discussed possibility of a fun photo booth frame with funny props/ dressing up to capture photos with friends, teachers and TA's. We discussed personalised mugs & dvd clips for the leavers.

Donation of toys & stationary-

FOLs have been very fortunate to have received a very large donation of soft toys and stationary. A very kind donation from Emma and Ian McDougall. We thought they would be perfect items for spring/summer fayres, stalls, raffles, world book week, prizes etc.

We discussed the idea of having a Larkrise stall at different local events to promote the school and raise funds. We thought we could team up with fellow friends such as Stepping Stones and Fairfield College and Larkrise Farm on open/fundraiser days.

The Larkrise stall could venture to other events too, Emily will hopefully be attending Paxcroft School summer fayre on 08/07/18. Kayleigh and Shirley will be at Westwood social club on the 26/05/18 running the stall alongside the popular Scarecrow trail event in Westwood.

We discussed the possibility of having a large Larkrise school banner made alongside some small print out information about the school. We also discussed the possibility that Susie might like to promote all the wonderful work she does with signing and total communication.

Bank-

We are going to research Lloyd's bank as they offer a match fund option, which would greatly benefit the school. The current balance is around £4200.00.

100 club-

We did the March draw and the lucky winners were 40 & 43

AOB-

Emily has had a request from a parent as to whether we can use the page to advertise used special needs items (swivel car seat) that they are selling. We feel the Facebook page is a platform for the school news and to promote awareness of local SEN community news/events. However, we are happy for individuals to write a post on the page in the comment section to advertise items for sale.

School council-

Another school trip is being organised, the hire of the SEN portable toilet will be required after the review of it last year. School council to think about what theme they would like the Larkrise leavers party/prom ?

Role play hut-

Exciting news, the arrival of a role play hut in the playground for all students to enjoy. Which will be fantastic in the spring and summer months. The role play hut will be on its way soon.

Wheelathon-

It is 1895 miles from Trowbridge to Moscow, and it would take 560 hours to walk there, according to google maps! Each lap of our playground will be equivalent of 10 miles so we will be trying to get round 189 times. If each class manages around 20 times we will be there!

Students could wear football shirts, make flags in class and keep to the World Cup theme. Students could be sponsored and have lots of fun. Wheelathon dates week commencing 18/06/18.

Christmas Fayre-

Its only nine months away. We discussed parent stalls, staff stalls, professional stalls and how effective they were. We spoke about what the positives were from last year and how we can adapt things for this year. We discussed whether Friday afternoon or Saturday is more feasible for school staff, students and parent/carers.

FOLs mascot-

Kayleigh our new chair, would like to introduce a FOLs mascot...The mascot will make an

appearance soon and will hopefully be wearing a newly knitted Larkrise school jumper.

Future dates-

Wheelathon- (date to be confirmed) (w/c 18/06/18)

Bingo night- (date to be confirmed) autumn term

Christmas fayre- (dates to be confirmed) autumn term

Italian night- spring 2019

Wheelathon- (date to be confirmed) (w/c 18/06/18)

Next meeting: Wednesday 9th May 12pm in Doves classroom.

Have a lovely Easter break everyone!