

## Agenda FTS Planning meeting 27<sup>th</sup> September 2pm

Apologies: Sandra Brownjohn, Sarah Gardner, Merry Whitaker, Elaine Hanmer-Grant, Charlotte Skouby

In Attendance: Sarah Dynes, Katie Hickey, Lucy Pannell-Woodward, Georgina Carelli, Katie Jenkins, Lesa Garside, Saffron Craig, Emma Richards, Nicola Coulson, Hollie Harman

1. Sarah D said a massive thank you to Nicola Coulson and Elaine Hanmer-Grant for their amazing hard work and dedication to the FTS on the core committee – gifts presented to Nicola, Sarah will deliver Elaine's gifts as she is unable to attend. Elaine and Nicola will continue to be involved in FTS through the class reps and in supporting events as needed when they can 😊.

### 2. Communication

- Whatsapp – general discussion re how to streamline communication and not overload parents with whatsapp messages. Not messaging at the weekend was generally agreed as this may be an intrusion of people's private time. Agreed to try to send FTS messages on Wednesdays and Thursdays to parents where possible, acknowledging that sometimes reminders eg re Forest School etc need to go out outside of these times.
- Newsletters- Nicola developed a new template last year for our newsletters which had great feedback, Emma has volunteered to take over writing the Newsletters and will speak to Mrs Beth Hogarty to ask the year 6s to contribute.
- The Village Voice – Emma has volunteered to write for the village voice which was previously done by Sian. It was felt that there was some crossover with these.
- At the AGM it was suggested that parents would find a 'dates' list to put on the fridge really helpful, Emma kindly agreed to send this out at the start of term and to send the newsletters out towards the end of term.

Discussion on how to engage more with the local community.

### 3. Fundraising objectives – ideas?

Miss Garside update:

Lesla gave an overview of the school's proposal to convert the cricket area and unused outside space, into a useful, outside kitchen / social area. Funding for this will be sourced from several charities; an application for lottery funding will be made and the FTS will also part fund. Currently there is no written financial proposal available to consider so exact amounts are unclear at this stage.

Likely contribution from the FTS:

Benches

Pizza Oven

Large Wooden Games – eg connect 4 and Jenga etc

This is a great opportunity to connect more with the local community.

Sarah asked whether there would be possible funding from the parish council or the phone box committee, as this will be on public grounds.

All agreed that having a 'goal' for fundraising is useful and gives parents something to focus upon.

#### 4. Events and Activities

Sarah Gardner was unable to attend today, Sarah D gave an overview of her thoughts; essentially doing fewer but highly popular events eg coasteering, canoeing, outdoor escape room, surfing – all have proved popular in the past. Sarah D talked about the winter month challenges with outdoor activities and expressed that Outdoor Escape Room could be possible for next term. The Sarahs will meet up and discuss more!

Current activities / possible dates:

October

3<sup>rd</sup> Oct The Bear Trail -Sandra organising for younger children

8<sup>th</sup> Oct Friday Cake Sale to start, to be run by year 6s – Georgina will co-ordinate– Each class does half a term, cakes are sent in in the morning and cakes are set up after break in the morning. Move to the middle of the playground. If it's raining this will be an issue because large groups of parents cannot come into the school. Some discussion about gazebos but could be difficult to set up. Nicola will send a cake template so classes can see what cakes are being brought in each week.

10<sup>th</sup> Oct Adrenalin Quarry – Sarah D to organise

11<sup>th</sup> Oct School Disco KS1/KS2 – after school – Georgina again happy to lead with this with assistance from others– KS1 to have their disco 2.30-3.30pm and KS2 3.30-5.30. Snack station should be available.

ACTION: Nicola to email Georgina list of prices / budget information.

Half term w/c 25<sup>th</sup>

November

17<sup>th</sup> Nov Quiz Night – tba / Village Inn – Sandra to arrange - Bantham Sloop nominated as ideal venue. Tim Bunn nominated as compare as he has previously offered. Emma knows Rod and Kelly at the Sloop so Emma will contact Sandra to arrange. Sarah D can contact Tim.

December

3<sup>rd</sup> Dec – Christmas Fair – Sarah and Katie J happy to lead with help from many others. Katie J to organise Raffle. Kingsbridge celebrates Christmas is on the 4<sup>th</sup> December but this wasn't felt to be a significant barrier.

Due to risk assessment Lesa said we cannot hold inside school. Library can be used as Grotto with a queue system, access to toilets etc. In the playground will be ok ? gazebos or Marquee. Discussion about different venues and options. Further discussion needed – Sarah D to arrange further meeting to focus upon fair.

Thurlestone Illuminations – Hollie kindly agreed to help again this year but only with other people volunteering. Lots of positive feedback. Miss Garside has contacts with PLMR to make an advert to publicise. Katie H offered to help Hollie.

Christmas Fair and Illuminations can be linked together.

ACTION: Gazebo sourcing? Modbury Barrow Market? Rent Gazebos? – Sarah D

ACTION: Temporary event license – Sarah D

20<sup>th</sup> Dec- 4<sup>th</sup> Jan- Christmas Holiday

5. Next Term planning –

Various ideas suggested and discussed:

Formal event? South Milton Barn?????- Katie J to contact.

Circus event in Summer

Outdoor Cinema

Coasteering – climbing wall option?

World Book Day March 2022. Professional photographer may be helpful????

Sports relief?

Beach rounders

Beach Olympics

Rising stars talent show

ACTION: Further discussion needed next term to enable planning.

6. Any other business

Katie J discussed outdoor swimming society – we will get 2 charity spaces for the Bantham Swoosh 2022. Katie, Lucy and Sarah D will meet outside meeting to discuss other fundraising ideas.

ACTION: Katie to meet with Lucy initially and liaise with Sarah D

Non uniform days every half term, last day of each half term. £1. Rainbow bright day, wear as many colours as possible. Sarah D to co-ordinate.

ECO TEAM- Beach cleans etc – discussion about linking this in with mufti days at the end of term.

Golf club – Lucy will contact re parents fish and chip night or providing hot chocolates for a kids beach clean (although please do not use disposable cups!!!)

7. Next meeting 18<sup>th</sup> October 2021 1pm at the Thurlestone Hotel WR room to discuss the Christmas Fair.