

## **FORS meeting- 16/10/23.**

**In attendance:** Ellie Allen, Rachel Geary, Samantha Randall, Laura Bassitt, Emily Boocock, Madeline Lacey, Debbie O'Conner, Chelsea Hurle, Rachel Dodd and Mark Baron.

**Apologies:** Maxie Schiffmann and Helen Smith.

### **Upcoming events:**

- Painting pots evening on Friday (20/10). Lady coming to sell snacks alongside and donating some profit to school.
- Pumpkin carving competition for next Monday (23/10). Mrs Foster to pick winners as she is impartial. FORS to provide 4 prizes- 2 first prizes and 2 runner up prizes. Ellie awaiting reply from Birchfield farm about possible donated prize. Ellie to sort prizes?
- Everything in place for Christmas baubles to be created and sold.
- Spooky disco (27/10), 5-6.30pm. Maryse and family to do entertainment and they've donated face paints to school. Kate Mather (?), Eliza, Francesca & Laura Bassitt to paint faces. Rachel Dodd to run tuck shop, Rachel Geary to purchase glow sticks/moshi type fidgets and do price list to sell. Tape off stage, Emily Boocock to bring tape. Parents to be asked to donate decorations to borrow, Samantha Randall to send message to parents asking. Use the pumpkins from Monday's competition for decoration, with possible battery candles or glow sticks in. 3pm set up- Mark Baron, Emily Boocock, Rachel Geary and Debbie O'Conner to help set up (children can attend comet club for those setting up). Hot dogs to be provided, Emily Boocock to serve them. Price to be decided. Rachel Geary to order Halloween stencils.
- Christmas cards should be back this week. Money collected and FORS to pay the final bill with discount.
- Santa presents need buying and deciding, approx £2 per child- 40 children total. Class 1- 15, class 2- 14 & class 3- 11.
- Christmas tree to be sourced. Mole store again?
- Samantha Randall to check whether there is a Christmas light switch on in Ripley this year. If not, then organise our own Ripley school one and possibly sell tickets within the village. Potential date proposed 8/12 with carols, mulled wine, hot chocolate and mince pies.
- Children performing carols on the 15/12 at Harrogate Christmas market and 10/12 at Ripley market within the castle.
- Games to be sorted for the Christmas party: name a bear (bear to be sourced, Emily B?), chocolate game (Sam R to send out a message requesting parent donations for the game), where's Santa game (FORS to provide 2 prizes, one for KS1 & one for KS2. Talked about potentially 2 dobble games).
- Look into a painting pots event for the children for January.
- Adopt a bear/teddy for Valentines Day- always a huge hit with the children.
- Bags 2 school to be arranged- great way for school to make money and also to donate the non-branded, surplus uniform that doesn't sell/isn't fit for resale. Rachel G to phone and organise potentially for after October half term and also for January.
- Potentially organise a beetle drive for January.
- Madeline to arrange quarterly newsletter for parents.
- Easter event- letter hunt around the village, sell tickets. Ask butcher to give out egg prizes?

### **Fundraising:**

- School asked FORS to provide money for Class 3s school trip and also for further coach trips.
- Talked about FORS paying for half/all of the leavers hoodies in school colour, so children can wear them from February term onwards, rather than summer term only.
- Coach and ice cream for annual pinto trip.
- Fundraising for 3 iPads for the school.

**Next meeting arranged for Monday 15th January, 3.15pm- children to attend comet club again.**