

Friends of St Joseph's meeting – 9th March 2018

Present: Aurelia Anderson, Erika Tokos, Clare Wrenn, Catherine Finlay, Karen Adams, Helen Beardsmore, Teresa Seaborn

Apologies: Brenda Poynton, Sarah Williams, Rosy Phillips, Jenn Hurds, Wendy Thomas, Clare Hunter, Jolanta Wright, Alison Murray

1. Your School Lottery

So far we have sold 38 tickets which Your School Lottery have said will raise about £700 for the school per annum. We discussed different ways of raising awareness of this so that we can try and sell some more tickets and increase revenue. We will see if we can put a notice in the Parish newsletter as well as putting leaflets in bags in school/nursery plus putting another item on the Facebook page.

2. Objectives for Fundraising

Everyone thought it would be good if parents can see what the current objective is for fundraising.

I have checked with Mrs Francis and the classrooms need new interactive whiteboards, or continuing maintenance for the ones which are already there. There is also a SIMS App for Parents which school are looking into. (More info here: <https://www.capita-sims.co.uk/products-and-services/sims-parent-app>)

I will check the costings for both of these.

Also we will look at having a visual item for the noticeboard so people can see how much we have raised and what we are aiming at (like a thermometer).

3. Calico Bags

We still have 50 bags we need to sell. Could the School Council sell them at the Scholastic book fair this month. CF to confirm.

4. First Holy Communion

Help to be sought for celebrations after the First Holy Communion Service . CF to ask the parents from last year and the year before to see if they are available to help as it is the last Sunday of half term (June 3rd). We will also see if anyone in the parish can volunteer as there are approximately 9 children receiving FHC this year.

5. Circus fundraiser

Some schools have successfully fundraised substantial amounts with Happy's Circus (<http://happyscircus.co.uk>) - this would be a lot of work and we would need to sell a lot of tickets to make this work. I can print out more information and bring it to the next meeting so we can discuss it more thoroughly.

6. Attic items

We need a clear out of the FSJ items in the attic above the school hall. We could co-ordinate and donate second hand books and other items to In Their Shoes if they have the charity shop in Ross again. Date to be confirmed for Attic clear out.

7. Rags 2 Riches – Check if we have a new date for a collection. CF

Events:

Cake Sale – next Friday 16th March

Film night – 20th April

First Holy Communion – 3rd June

Sports Day & BBQ – 29th June