

## **FROGS meeting**

**Wednesday 6 May at 6pm held via Zoom**

**Present:** Ed Wood (chair), Julie Harris (committee member), Ruth Lewis (secretary), Nicola Kleynhans (committee member), Caroline Potter, Lea Teuscher, Nick Mallender (head), Tom Smith (treasurer)

### **Financial review**

Tom gave a financial update. The last event had been the library cake sale as all events had been cancelled due to Covid 19. Income since the last meeting included royalties from Hold Up A Light, interest, My School Lottery, The Giving Machine, matched giving and payroll giving. Tom had also raised a gift aid claim that had resulted in £1655.37 in gift aid mainly related to the computer and art room donations. The current bank account balance is £31.4k with £5.7k being available after already allocated funds.

**Actions:** Tom to check that the £367 Lloyds matching and gift aid had been allocated to the computer and art room totals.

### **Grounds update**

Billy had been working on the quiet area. Some parent volunteers and staff have been in to school and have been working on the KS1 playground and garden. There had been considerable momentum on the grounds project. It was proposed to finish off as much as possible this term - for example the quiet area and the KS1 playgrounds. The work on the mural may start this term as well as re-doing the climbing wall and putting in some decking and quiet zone huts in the KS2 playground. The pavilion may be on hold for now given uncertainty about the position on Albion Road pollution and the proposed rebuilding and replastering works. Billy would continue to do some of this work. Parents would be asked to help if and when safe to do so. Julie requested £1,000 to put a layer of bark on the garden which was approved.

### **Art**

The aim is to get the art room up and running for September particularly as in the current situation it would be helpful for the school to have extra usable space. Julie had arranged for someone to come in and quote for the work next week. This would be more than the amount specifically raised for the art room. If necessary, money from the pavilion could be diverted to complete this room with further fundraising for the pavilion if necessary.

**Actions:** Julie to provide details of quote in due course.

### **IT**

The school was going to purchase 15 laptops this term using the money raised. There was no immediate need for support from FROGS for any of the children working at home. The other plans (audio visual) were on hold. A National Lottery application had gone in but these are all on hold at the moment unless directly Covid 19 related.

### **Music**

It was agreed to ring fence £1200 to help fund ukulele lessons for a whole year group.

### **Future events**

All currently on hold due to Covid 19. There was enthusiasm for an auction, online if necessary. It was agreed to see how things progressed over the next few weeks. It could be possible to run an event during the school holiday if restrictions have been relaxed by then.

### **Website**

Lea had set up a FROGS website which was not yet complete and demonstrated this. It looks really good and includes lots of photos. The details were circulated to those at the meeting for further input. We discussed including a way for people to volunteer (or a list of jobs needed to be

done). The website has a shop section that could be used for fundraising items and potentially ticket sales. Ed was continuing to discuss a change to the FROGS logo.

**Actions:** People to feedback on the website to Lea.

**Other business**

Nick wanted to reiterate how grateful the staff were for the donation from parents back in March.

Next scheduled FROGS meeting - Friday 12 June

It was agreed that it may be necessary to hold a further meeting via Zoom before this, in particular to approve art room spends.