



Friends of Dove Bank

Minutes from 22nd March 2023

In attendance: Victoria Barrett (Chair), Kate Ratcliffe (Treasurer), Rachel Theobald (Vice-chair), Nola Beeson (secretary), Miss Hopper (teacher), Matt Beeson (CM), Hana Darlington (CM), Sally Johnson (Usborne Partner), Rachel Gilbert, Becky

1. Donut Disco

Decided on Glow sticks for the disco

Think about doing a lucky-dip bag for the next disco

2. Tree

Has got to be done properly due to location and type of tree

Consider: what are potential locations? Then choose appropriate tree.

Get community involved

SLB Supplies in the village – find a time for someone to come. Number for Josh Bailey.

3. Pond Area

£400 for signs

Rob – volunteered to do something with the pond. 1st get advice over Easter

Write an action plan of what is needed for the pond to get it useable.

Pond life poster - £20

£4,000 for gardening club

ACTION: Hana to liaise with gardening club – do they want to help?

Spend some of the budget for the pond on equipment for pond dipping etc. E.g. buckets, magnifying glasses.

Check what equipment is in the storage at the school – wish list to the school.

4. FOD New logo – Hana designed – taken ownership of FOD

Newsletter – Need content

5. Waffle and Twist raffle

Raised £40.50p

Can we think of any other small money raisers?

6.Y6 Leavers' Hoodies

Two quotes – chosen to go with Lisport (better quality and price)

£20 per hoodie. (depending on whether logos are printed or stitched)

Matt has spoken to Dom from Finch Consulting in Ashby. Dom has agreed that Finch and the sister business LEAPS will sponsor the hoodies. He will pay for 2 x company logos to be added to the hoodies.

Dom and his colleague have also offered to come in for the day to run a STEM session for the leavers. Possible themes are Lego – designing a roller coaster as LEAPS focuses on the safety of roller coasters. Maybe 2 extra days for younger children?

Dom can bring in the hoodies at the STEM day – June time, before the residential trip.

ACTION: Matt to liaise with Dom about logos and cost. Matt to liaise with Jeff from Lisport for hoodies. Matt to liaise with school (was Miss Hopper – new contact needed) about STEM day.

ACTION: Becky to collect all names and sizes for the hoodies. Write a letter to parents.

7. Usborne bookfair

Book fair raised £421.44p

Ready, steady, read raised £392.60p

Usborne donate 60% = £881 – to spend on free books

Christmas fair – include the book sale again

8. Rags to Riches

Clothes donation – Proposed every 6 months.

Suggested and agreed every quarter – to time with change of season.

Next Rags to Riches collection set for June, after half-term.

9. Christmas Jumper Swap Shop

Proposed by Carla Crane

Eco-friendly

All in favour of the idea.

10. Coronation Celebration

Agreed for 5th May, after 1pm

Think of fund-raising ideas:

- Time-capsule for each class?
- Apply to council for funding?
- Community members?
- Cryptic quiz (Nola to arrange)

Think about a gift that we can give to the children – bookmarks? Seeds?

Get cake donations

Ask Waffle and Twist to run a Sweet stall or donate a raffle prize.

Village fete games?

Ice-cream van?

Picnic on the field – put out sports stuff.

Decided to have a bouncy castle at the summer fete, not the coronation party.

11. Funding for Forest school training

Possible Grant £3000?

Is this worth exploring further?

12. Trim trail for school

This is a big-ticket item – approximately £10,000

Start saving and look for funding.

Next meeting: Tuesday 25th March at Dove Bank school