Friends Meeting Minutes 4/3/19

Present - Alan Lord, alan Hobson, Pauline Sherwin, Rowan Almond, Shabana Broun **Apologies** - Melissa De Berry

Accounts update - Since January we have had £6486 donated via CAF direct payments - the vast majority from Sainsburys. 12 thank you cards have been written for Sue Corcoran to distribute for us. Rowan to arrange for school to help us do a social media thank you too.

So far we have. Received £332 from Justgiving thanks to Jordan's fundraising, this should increase as the relay marathon starts this week.

We are in the process of renewing our small lotteries licence but Trafford council are making it hard to contact them.

Rowan needs to try and reconnect with British Gas as our contact has left the business and we need to keep engagement with British Gas until our year is up.

In our current account - £15659.85 In savings account - £3517.77

It was decided that we should transfer £10k into our savings account as planned expenditure will be in a few months time.

Attracting new members - a survey was completed during parents evening - 42 responses.

30% of those responding didn't know who Friends of Delamere were or what we do. - we need to look at ways to keep telling people who we are, especially for parents of pupils who join joining the academic year. - create a flyer of what we did last year and where we are so far with this years targets etc.

The majority of respondents (80%) wanted to support us by just attending events, but 11 poeple said they'd like to attend meetings and be contacted via email. Rowan will follow up with these people and see if we can increase attendance at meetings.

We also gathered a list of skills that parents have that we could use in one off events.

Virtual relay Marathon

Flyer due to go out with instructions, hopefully parents will get behind it on their own, though we have some plans/options in place if uptake is low. Using school's facebook page to connect with parents and the wider community. Using Jordan's justgiving page and text number for donations.

Potential to inform the local press - but that will be school led as they have more knowledge etc.

Every child participant to get a medal - blue and yellow ribbon, gold, school logo, metal, try to make generic as possible in case have left over. Budget of £2 each max. Order 100. Rowan and Shabana will investigate options/designs/costs

Sunday 24th march 2-4 - Banner making.

Using main hall only, cardboard, batons and paint all sourced.

Mother's Day pebble painting also can be available for 50p per pebble

Kitchen open for snacks and drinks

Rowan Alan H and Pauline will attend - arrive 1:30 to set up

7th April Marathon Cheer squad

Need to pick a suitable spot on the route where hopefully we can attach a school banner etc.

Investigate if Jordan can be wearing a label/bib etc with our logo on.

11th May - balloon landing party

Stevie Mandini has volunteered his time if we cover his expenses - $\max £100$ budget. All agreed it would add value to the event.

Free entry to party as long as bought a balloon in the race.

Have kitchen running, and potentially make scratch cards to sell. (Paige Whitehouse has seen how) £1 per card with various cash prizes, snacks, books from stalls etc. Have three panels per card, two of which are winners on each card (even if prize is lower in value to the cost of the card)

Balloon race prizes - still trying to secure any. Matt Hulme may be able to get something form Man Utd Ladies, Claire Firth may be able to get us something from a friend that has a sport memorabilia shop, Shabana offered to approach local restaurants etc for a prize.

Ideally need 4 prizes secured by beginning of April so that tickets can be designed and printed ready for the beginning of the holidays.

Next meeting

Mon 8th April 13:45 at school