## Minutes of the FOBG Committee Meeting

## Tuesday, 11 January 2021, 8pm, via Microsoft Teams

## Attendees:

*Committee Members:* Annabell Seevaratnam (Chair), Lisa Whyte (minutes), Stephanie Papoutes, Becky Cruise, Leila Boyd, Lucy Hutchinson, Victoria Parry.

Other: Matt Birch (Ex-officio member/staff), Andrada Bianca (member).

Item		Action
1.	Welcome	
	Annabell welcomed everyone and introduced Andrada who was attending her first FOBG meeting.	
2.	Apologies for Absence	
	Francesca Wareing, Uliana Khvorostoyanova, Jaswir Sahota, Phil Carter.	
3.	Approval of minutes of the 9 November 2021 committee meeting	
	There were no comments on the minutes of the last meeting and the minutes were approved.	
4.	Declarations of Interest	
	None.	All Committee
	Lisa reminded the Committee Members that had not yet returned the Declaration of Interest forms that they should do so, even if they have no interests to declare	Members
5.	Update on upcoming / planned events	
	Bags to School – in diary for 26 January and 30 March 2022. Stephanie will locate the bags in the shed to circulate.	Stephanie
	Second Hand uniform sales – Lisa to follow up with Martine / Hester to ascertain dates of next sales.	Lisa
	<u>Fun Fridays</u> – Annabell to liaise with class reps over ideas for themes. The aim is to hold three Fun Fridays this term.	Annabell
6.	Future events / Fundraising	
	Matt Birch confirmed that unfortunately we will not be able to hold any in- person events due to the current covid precautions in place at the school.	
	It was agreed that an in-person event for this term can be re-visited after half term; and discussed at the next committee meeting.	
	Pancake Flip – Becky suggested a pancake flip event (similar to last year) and agreed to take the lead on arranging this.	Becky

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	<u>In-school Easter event</u> - Matt Birch confirmed that the school plan to hold an Easter event for the children – details to be confirmed but will be something like an Easter Egg hunt or Egg & Spoon race. He may ask for the FOBG to provide easter eggs. <u>Summer event</u> – a possible summer event for parents was discussed. Matt will check with the teacher's band on availability to perform again, with a	Matt Matt
	Friday in June being preferred (i.e. 10 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> or 24 <sup>th</sup> June).	
	<u>Queen's Jubilee Event</u> – the option of running an event linked to the Queen's Jubilee was raised, possibly combined with the Summer Social, or instead of/as part of a Summer Fair. It was agreed that those present would put some further thought into this and it will be discussed further at the next Committee Meeting.	All
7.	Finance Update	
	None	
8.	Charitable Foundations – funding applications	
	The option of the FOBG applying for external funding was discussed. Matt confirmed that the school applications were managed by Katy Collins. Lisa will liaise with Katy to see if there is anything the FOBG can do to assist; and also explore if the FOBG can make applications in their own right.	Lisa
	Annabell will draft an email to parents to explore if any of them have links to /work for companies that have Charitable Foundations (or similar) that we may be able to apply to.	Annabell
7.	School Update	
	Matt updated the meeting on the progress of the retaining wall that Dany is currently building, and thanked the FOBG for the contribution which is making a significant difference to the area. Dany is also improving the walkway / area around the bins by creating planters.	
	There are no other specific funding requests from the school at this time.	
8.	Any other business	
	None	
9.	Date of next meeting	
	The next Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 1 March 2022 via video call.	