



Friends of Springfield Meeting held on Thursday 5th March 2020

Present: Judy Colclough - Chairperson, Emma Goodwin, Debbie Thelwell - Treasurer, Barbara Gibbs, Andrea Nixon, Mr Protheroe –Rotary Club, Matt Halliwell – Crewe Alex, Joe Lusher – Duke of Gloucester, Lynn Dennis, Loraine Baker Wakefield, Farida Begum, Fliss McDonald, Sharron Hancock, Lyndsey O’Connell, Kim Wilson, Lisa Hodgkison, Lynn Stubbs
Apologies: Wendy Barnes

Judy Colclough opened the meeting, welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming. Special welcome to Joe from the Duke of Gloucester and Matt from Crewe Alex who were interested in working with the community and helping with fund raising events.

The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting held on Thursday 16th January 2020.

Today’s Agenda:

1. Mini Bus update – LS reported that all paperwork had been signed, the bus was currently being sign written and would be handed over on 19th March. Following handover there would be a photo shoot for the official publicity.
2. Valentines Feedback – A disco and raffle had been held on Valentine’s day with nett profit of £158.70.
3. Roberts Recycling – Emma Goodwin reported that the bags had been sent home for filling for the next Roberts Recycling collection scheduled to take place on 19th March. Last collection raised £302.50 – our best total yet!
4. Future Events (BINGO, SPONSORED SWIM, ETC)/ Programme of events/letter to parents
 - 19th March – Springo Bingo – JC to see Andy Oakes and make arrangements. LS to order bingo tickets. Creche to be provided, start at 5.30 pm.
 - Mothers Day – JC is going to do a pop up shop with gifts for £2. Also taking orders for Boucakes (£10) and box of cakes (£6 for 6).
 - Springfest –musical evening hosted by Loraine Baker-Wakefield, date to be agreed.
 - Sponsored swim is being organised by SH w/c 27.04.2020 during school day.
 - Easter Bonnet competition to be organised for Easter, to be judged by Rotary Club.
5. Co-op Update, - When Co-op members shop with them, 1% of what they spend on selected Co-op branded products and services goes to support local causes through the Local Community Fund. Last week the total for Friends of Springfield was at £496. We have now made the contribution towards the minibus but this has left the FOS fund depleted. We are now fundraising for playground improvements. Men in Sheds have kindly offered their services and we are looking to have the pagoda covered with a roof to provide shade and shelter outdoors. Possible Perspex type roof with coloured flowers to provide sensory experience.
6. Other fundraising ideas – EG to look at school lottery ideas as they are currently promoting at The Dingle school. AN & LS to investigate payment into parent pay account. L O’Connell suggested Christmas gifts, e.g. via Chameleon or DT suggested Art Bank. To look at this in September.

7. Date of Next Meeting – Thursday 30th April, 12 noon.
8. Joe from the Duke of Gloucester kindly offered to host a pub quiz night. Food provided. 18th June.
9. AOB – Vote of thanks to Callum and Caroline for the lovely lunch they prepared.
10. Staff presenting their ID badge will receive 20% off meals at the Duke of Gloucester.

Friends of Springfield Programme of Events

EVENT	DATE	TIME
Friends of Springfield meeting Chat and Chill 12-1pm	Thursday 5 th March 2020	
Roberts Recycling	Thursday 19 th March 2020	
Baked potato & Bingo night	Thursday 26 th March 2020	5.30pm
Easter Bonnet Competition	Friday 3 rd April 2020	10 am
Sponsored Swim	Monday 27 th April 2020	all day
Friends of Springfield meeting Chat and Chill	Thursday 30 th April 2020	12-1pm
Springfest	Thursday ?? May 2020	TBC
Quiz Night at the Duke of Gloucester	Thursday 18 th June 2020	TBC
Summer BBQ	Thursday 2 nd July 2020	5 pm to 7 pm