

## F.O.S.S ~ Annual Meeting 2023-24

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023 – 7pm

**Present:** K Lambert, S Sanderson, C Bargh, L Storey, L Glenister, S & A Fenny, C House, S Lawton

**Apologies:** V Cartledge, A McCoy, L Amor, B Leadbetter, G Partington

- Money raised each year to predominantly fund class trips. Each class has a proportionate spend according to needs of the class rather than given equal amounts. Miss Sanderson to ask teachers for a 'wish-list' of trips so FOSS have an idea of monies required.
- Arts Trail Café and Christmas Market to run each year as the main fundraising events.
- Volunteers needed to organise and run the following events if they are to take place this year – Movie Night (January), Valentines Disco (February), Mother's Day Shop (March), Father's Day shop (June).
- To try and capitalise on the crowds at the Silverdale Field Day, possibility of hiring a 'Dunk Tank' as an easy way to raise some additional money for the school at the same time.
- Own clothes day to happen on the last day before every school holiday for £1.
- Bags2School to continue twice a year. Dates to be confirmed and given to the Thrift Ladies as an additional donation source.
- FOSS to hold one meeting each year in September.
- FOSS to fund the Christmas panto trip to the Grand in Lancaster on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December for £7.50/child. Steve Lawton to look at coach costs and whether any savings can be made.
- Playground – tenders have gone out again for works to be carried out as only 1 contractor came back after the summer. As a large amount of money will be needed to complete the desired works planned, grant funding will be the best route to start. Lorna Amor has agreed to look into funding applications, initially starting with the Orsted fund. Once the grant route has been explored and costs have been finalised, FOSS can then assist with specifics when known.
- Katie Lambert to coordinate the Christmas Market and Arts Trail Café 2024.
- Catherine Bargh to look into whether a Christmas Market will be possible this year as nothing has been booked in as yet.
- MyChildsArt are sending though a Christmas fundraising pack to school for pupil Christmas cards and tea towels etc. Artwork will need to be in by the end of October/November for parents to order their products online directly through their website. FOSS will then receive 20% commission of the sales. Laurel Glenister to coordinate.
- As an alternative to buying a gift or in addition to, so as to ensure all staff at the school feel thanked at Christmas and End of Term, Katie Lambert to liaise with Jenny to set up a Scopay payment item for parent/carers to be able donate to a '**School Staff Fun-Fund**' which Sarah S or Jenny can access directly and share amongst the staff, whether that be a meal, taxis or something nice for the staff room 😊