Friends of Fishergate

Minutes of meeting held on 09/11/23, 9am, Busk Coffee Shop

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Present/ apologies for absence	Present: RR, FM, JD, BH, HT, AR Apologies: TW Next meeting: Thursday Nov 23rd 9am at Kawa Coffee Shop, Fulford Road	
Matters Arising		
Last Term Summary	£1,153.98 funds raised (profit) from activities. Cake Sales well supported and staffed. Quiz (£270.98) & Disco (£521.16) were both successful ventures	Good Efforts all round!
Raffle Tickets	HT has much success with Prizes/donations. HT & AR to keep working on this and chase up. RR ordered and printed Tickets. FM is organising distribution.	Everything is in place well ahead of schedule.
Christmas Fair	 Friday 8th December 3.30-5.30pm Outside Traders agreed: Jane Cropper - wax melts (supply teacher) (£15) Maya's Cakes - (AW) (£15) Invitation to yr5/6 games at fair Speak to school about need for inclusion for Refugee families Cafe: Yes, easy food to fill up the kids! Hot dogs, veggie sticks, brainstorm menu. Bar: it was decided it is not worth the TENS licence cost for the (lack) of alcohol consumed at a family event. Instead non-alcoholic mulled wine & hot chocolates (all trimmings)!! Locate all games in cellar (Mick/Charlie) Electronic payments: discussion concluded that QR code/Sum Up incurs too many charges and best to heavily promote/give notice of a cash only event. Sweet cones popular every year - FM will look into. Alisun Pawleys Singers already signed up 	Email DR to invite YR5/6 Email school re ref families/raffle tickets opp. Fair Poster RR Create Cafe! Create an Action Plan Ask Mick/Charlie - spin the wheel? JD will buy Mulled Wine & Hot Choc AR to sort Hotdogs/Cafe FM look at sweet bags vs cones? AR to invite HC Choir
Donations Day	 Monday 4th December 8.45am- 10.30(approx) Plenty of promotion in the forms of: Website (Kat to activate) Newsletter (link to website) Email (link to website) Facebook & reminders Schedule prompts leading up 	Check assembly times? DD Poster RR BIG emphasis on filled/empty Jam Jar donations in all comms.
Santa's	Wednesday 15th December Opens 11am (confirmed)	Create action

Grotto		plan/logistics
	 Gifts bought and being wrapped Set up Tuesday after school Liaise with school regarding group numbers. Who will bring kids down? Do we need another liaison? Action Plan show breakdown of props/decs etc Check with school about opt-in and Office to notify us of absences (to receive gift) 	HT measure hut/gazebo Look for Xmas back drop in storage? AR wrap gifts Email school for
		logistics? Provision.
Christmas Shop	 Thursday 14th & Friday 15th December Shop for approx 600 units AR labels bought Lots of wrapping to use, dont buy too much more. Shoppers: Whatsapp & Spreadsheets Recruit Shop Helpers *& co-ordinating & sched System last year worked well: pay for labels, write and then chose gifts, bag, go. Group sizing 8 max? Discuss next time 	Buyers: HT, FM, JD, AR, (RR) Wrapper: BH, AR, + Shop Helpers so far: RR, FM, HT (14th, 2pm) + Set up WhatsApp & Spreadsheet Shout out for more shop helpers
AOB		
Fair Banner	 Agreed that designing and printing a new banner for Summer Fair to future proof Friends in forthcoming years would be money well spent. Not needed for Xmas as capacity is limited and predominantly school based. Summer fair attracts more non-school visitors and should be promoted as such Banner can cost approx £65 (school can order to remove VAT) 	Spring Project AR
Staff Gifts	Thank You Gift expenditure agreed for office/site staff	FM will purchase
Free Uniform Sale Giveaway	 Wednesday 15th & Thursday 16th 3.15pm All school families welcome to browse school uniform stock to fulfill any needs. 	AR, FM, RR to sort and set up
Table top Sale	 TW Suggested a Table top sale, buy a table sell your stuff. This term is too busy, but next? Perhaps outside Carboot style on field or playground to include 2nd hand books etc 	Bring forward next term