

Friends of Whimple School Meeting
13th June 2017
The Thirsty Farmer
7.30

1. Welcome and Apologies

- a. **Welcome:** Caroline Rowe, Katie Williams, Maria Wallis, Carole Shilston, James Woollam, Catherine Bell, Katy Hill, Tanya Hynd, Susie Plank, Cathy Culshaw, Helena Hastie, Donna Woolston.
- b. **Apologies:** Laura Randall, Zoe Bickel, Jo Sibley, George Bayley, Jenny Jones, Charlotte Woollam.

2. Minutes of the last Meeting

- a. All agreed that they were a true record of the meeting.

3. Treasurers Report

- a. Not a lot has happened since the last meeting apart from paying for the Bear Trail and some income from the Cake Sale.
- b. Surplus cash to be used as floats at the Summer Fair.
- c. Internet Banking: JW has set up internet banking and has a basic view of accounts with the intention to send and receive BACS payments. Two of the accounts signatories will need to approve JW to have this access.

4. Review of events

- a. Cake Sale: Only 1 table used this time and the sale made £43.60.

5. Future Events

a. Sports Day: 16th June 2017

No set price for the teas, coffee and cakes, but a donation pot put out so the volunteer parents can watch their children participate. Volunteer parents can pop in at leisure to replenish stock and check the urn. We need lots of cakes donated as well as gazebos as the weather is forecast to be hot.

b. Summer Fair: 24th June 2017

- i. SP attended a School Council Meeting and the children were full of good ideas including a great idea from Ella Baylay who would like a 'Design an Apron competition'. It was decided to postpone the start of the competition to the day of the Summer Fair as the Heritage centre 'Flag Competition' is still running.
- ii. We have 18 main stalls to include the commercial stalls, the children's stall count is slightly down on last year but we are still chasing. We are still short on volunteers to man the raffle on the day. Only Zoe Bickel has come forward.
- iii. Mostly the same format as last year with lots of popular stalls returning. John Griffin will be bringing his resuscitation dolls and talking enthusiastically about first aid to all who attend. There will also be face painting and getting soaked in the stocks, as well as a governors table, a lady from Usbourne Books and a Ballon Sculptor. We need to find a volunteer to man the popular hoopler game.

- iv. Another idea was to bring animals from Cotley Farm to the fair but we felt it might be too much of a crazy atmosphere for the animals so decided against it.
 - v. BBQ: Unfortunately there is currently no one running the BBQ and no BBQ. KW will ask the CC if we can borrow theirs and we will rota it in with the bar.
 - vi. There will be 3 main events during the day. The Choir at 2.30pm, the Country Dancing at 3.00pm and the Raffle and 3.30pm.
 - vii. No raffle tickets have been returned yet, so a gentle push from committee members to remind parents to get involved in the raffle as it's a big part of the fair's profit. Tickets will be taken to Sports Day and perhaps to other events.
 - viii. Bar: Smaller Ale barrel this year with more cans of lager. JW asked that the beer price be put up from £2.50 to £3.00 and to keep the other prices the same.
 - ix. Heather Triggs will be doing the teas for the last time.
 - x. Kirsty Sherwood will be doing a Fashion Show and will be on the lookout for models. Posters with details to go out to parents soon.
- c. Summer Ball: 1st July 2017**
With a £1000 profit from last year, split between School and Preschool (£500 each) we need to encourage people to go to this event. Helpers encouraged.
- d. Beetle Drive: 3rd July 2017**
CR to have help from Alice Walsh and Kirsty Sherwood. Eyes down at 6.15pm.
- Village Day: 8th July 2017**
All Sorted
- e. Leavers Party: 21st July 2017**
Jo Sibley is in full swing organising this event. MW asked if there was a chocolate fountain? KW will ask JS.
- f. Teachers Leaving Party: 17th July 2017**
Invites to be sent to old members of staff, key people and a poster to be put in the shop for past students. A Jester is booked for 5pm and KW will ask that it can be brought forward a little.

6. Items Requested by the Headteacher

The Parent feedback for Exemplar was very good. CS has Alibi Theatre booked for a date in November. CS will have more requests in Autumn Term.

7. AOB

JW mentioned the New Parent/Carers meet up to get to know the new parents. It was decided to do this in the Autumn Term and maybe tie in with a Band Night or a Mums night out?

8. Date of the next meeting

TBA