## Friends of Newton Burgoland School Monthly Meeting

## Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2020, via Zoom 8pm

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**Present-** Natalie Ward, Vicki Boulter, Cathy Oakley, Nicola Gardner, Leanne Hart, Hazel Roberts, Lisa Dinsdale, Lucy Hollingsworth and welcome to Maddy Cave.

**Apologies**- Tara Howling, Shelley Hill, Priya Dhadyalla, Rachel Lewis-Mayhew, Becky Poole, Dianne McCaskie and Kate Ward

**Halloween** We made Halloween Activity packs and due to the school closing before Halloween PFA members distributed the packs for the children to complete. We made a profit of £24.39. Thank you to Hazel and Daniel Roberts for organising and designing the packs. We have received fantastic feedback and the parents were thankful we managed to deliver them despite the circumstances.

**100 Club** This is something we have now decided to look into after Christmas.

**Christmas Jumper Day 4**th **December-** Chocolate donations will be greatly appreciated for hampers for the Christmas Raffle. Boxes will be placed at the front and back gates in the morning and after school for donations to be left in.

Christmas Raffle- We have contacted larger companies who have not been affected by Covid 19 this year and have some great prizes so far. The PFA members will all donate to the Luxury Christmas Hamper. We will make chocolate hampers from the donations for Christmas Jumper day. Vicki will update the letter to contact more businesses for people to forward on. We will send a message on the WhatsApp Group to see if parents have any contacts they could approach to support our school. Natalie has ordered the tickets at £30 for 200. They will be given to school and placed in book bags w/c 23<sup>rd</sup> November. The draw will take place in the 16<sup>th</sup> December by Mrs Ward. Extra tickets will be available.

**Christmas decoration and card**- We have ordered air dry clay to make decorations for the children to decorate themselves and Christmas cards for all children to bring home. A suggested donation on £2 will available on School money from the 7<sup>th</sup> December.

**Elfridges**- We have a few items left from last year and school have agreed to sell them for us. These are prewrapped gifts for £2. Payments can be made via school money.

**Christmas Presents**- After speaking to school they are happy for us to go ahead with presents and they need to be in school wrapped and bagged a week before they are handed out to the children. These have now all been ordered and will be wrapped once delivered.

**Tote bags**- All Tote bags have been ordered at £4 each. Natalie matched all orders up and we have sold 105 altogether. Pupils completed them in class and Natalie has printed all portraits and positioned them all onto the design pack to be made into Tote bags. There is a four week lead time.

**Santa Message for school-** As Santa can not visit the children in school this year to deliver their gifts we are looking at getting a message sent instead. Vicki is looking into this.

**Wishlist**- Music scratch desks and Woodwork. Leanne suggested more magnifying pots for Forest School- Natalie agreed for them to be ordered. We also discussed new playground markings and looking at getting a grant. This is something we need to look into in more detail and get quotes.

#### **AOB**

**Bags to School-** Vicki organised a clothes bag drop at her house. It was a good turnout and raised £87. This is something we will do again in the New Year as it was very straightforward and an easy way to raise money. Thank you to all parents who contributed!!

**Fundraising-** We are looking at options where parents can donate should they wish to. This could potentially be through Just Giving, Paypal or Go Fund Me. To be discussed at the next meeting in more detail.

**Amazon Smile-** Poster to be sent to school to be emailed to parents. This is a great time with Christmas shopping and so easy to set up and raise money.

**Mothers Day-** We discussed a few ideas for next year. Lisa D is going to look into Glass Making/Cupcake making etc for Mums/carers to do possibly over Zoom.

**Easter-** Lisa D suggested a car treasure hunt which can be done safely and socially distanced. Everyone agreed this was a great idea. To be discussed in more detail.

### **Finances**

November 2020 Finance Overview as of 11/11/20 YTD £3,336.05

All payments and invoices up to date.

Fundraising Events Halloween Activity Packs - £24.39 profit

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