

## Friends of Newton Burgoland School Monthly Meeting

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2021, 8pm via Zoom

### Apologies and Introductions

Halloween

Raising Community Funds

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Next meeting

<b>Present</b>	Natalie Ward, Cathy Oakley, Nicola Gardner, Becky Poole, Lucy Hollingsworth, Vicki Boulter, Lisa Dinsdale, Karen Featherstone and Kate Ward
<b>Apologies</b>	Hazel Roberts, Shelley Hill, Dianne McCaskie and Priya Dhadyalla.

### Halloween

Halloween pumpkin Trail- 29th October. Tickets £2.50 to include the trail, a hot dog and prize draw for all entries. Tuckshop and tea/coffee squash will be available to purchase. This will be the final tuckshop this year.

Hotdogs/drinks etc will be served under the canopy in the back playground/hall weather permitting from 3.30pm-5pm. Children to wear fancy dress to school (£1 to charity) We need to plan the route- Vicki to contact parents in the village to display the signs. We will do 10 altogether.

KS1 will have a letter and KS2 a riddle. Once they have them all they can then spell the Halloween word. All entries will go into a prize draw and winners announced on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November in school. 2 prizes needed for each KS.

We need to order sausages and rolls once we have numbers (to be ordered by midnight Wednesday) We have stock for tuckshop, tea, coffee.

Natalie has set up an app called Classlist for parents to sign up to. Parents can then pay for all upcoming events which will help reduce the collection of cash in School.

### Raising Funds-Community

Sponsored walk- Natalie has set up a sponsored walk for all children to walk 30 miles by 30<sup>th</sup> November- see email below sent 14<sup>th</sup> October-

As you know the last year and a half has been very difficult for everyone, and it has severely impacted our time together and fundraising opportunities. We have a couple of large projects within school that we have been asked to fundraise for this year – the first is new tablets/laptops, the current tablets are now out of date and as a result do not have all the programs that school would like to enhance our children's learning. We would also like to increase the number of tablets so that there is enough for 1 class, without the need for children to share. The second project is a Sail Shade for part of the back playground between class 1 and 2, this area is a sun trap and therefore a shade would provide greater protection to the children and allow

greater freedom to be outside in all weathers. In order to increase our fundraising we need to find ways to reach out to the wider community. Many of you will know that our children now do a session on Fridays call Future Fridays, so in keeping with this the PFA would like to set all the children a challenge. This years Climate Summit is being held in Glasgow during November, we would like to challenge each child to walk 30 miles (less than 1 mile per day) and get the whole school from Newton Burgoland to Glasgow by the 30<sup>th</sup> November and collect sponsorship along the way. We would love for the children to write messages of hope that we could then post to the Summit and also collect any litter they find when out on their walks. A prize will be offered to the child who walks the furthest in each year group and there will be a prize for most rubbish collected in one walk (so remember to map your walks and take photos of any rubbish you collect at the end of your walk). We really hope that you get involved with this fundraiser, perhaps get together with some friends to do your walks, explore some new places and have fun. Sponsorship form attached.

### **Christmas**

We are looking at ideas this year as we are not able to have a Christmas Fayre at school.

- Christmas Movie night- hotdogs, popcorn. KS1 in Class 1 and KS2 in the Hall or all in Class 1. We will discuss with Mrs Ward.
- Raffle- So far, we have tickets to De Montfort Hall Pantomime Sleeping Beauty and the Old Crown Inn-meal. We need to ask parents if they have contacts who could be approached for more prizes.
- Wreath making in the Church Hall- possibly next year
- Tote bags, tea towels, cards. The time scales have changed therefore we are unable to order this year. We found another company online where parents can choose various items-more information needed, possibly next year.
- Hiring Heather Hall as it can hold over 100 people. Parents/carers and children to come to a coffee/craft morning where the children can make their own baubles. To investigate further.
- Christmas presents. These need to be ordered asap. Ideas we have are, books, keyrings, stationery and lollies.
- Mince Pies and Mulled wine 17<sup>th</sup> December 1.15pm. Parents are invited to come to school for Christmas Carols and the PFA will have Mince Pies and Mulled wine available to buy.

**Wishlist-**

iPads x15 as they are now out of date and unable to update the latest software.

Sail shade- outside Class 1 and 2 to enable children to play outside in all weathers.

Wishlist which the school can add items to- to speak to Mrs Ward.

Thank you to Martin Ward and Justin Gardner for fixing the hut in the back playground. It has also been painted and the children are able to use it. We have had positive feedback from both staff and children. There is one more section that needs mending which we are hoping will be in the next few weeks.

**AOB**

Bags to School, Vicki has organised one for 18<sup>th</sup> November, See email sent 1<sup>st</sup> November for further details.

School Newsletter- Natalie to ask Mrs Ward if we can add some up to date PFA information on.

Batteries/Ink cartridges- Vicki to investigate receiving money back from old batteries and ink cartridges.

Fundraising- We continue to look at options where parents/carers can donate should they wish to. This could potentially be through Just Giving, Paypal or Go Fund Me.

Natalie is having a meeting with Rachel regarding writing Grants for us to approach companies for the iPads and Sail Shade. Grants we are looking at applying for are, Morrison's, Aviva, Tesco, Garfield Western Foundation. We are also waiting for correspondence from the Ann Claire Charity.

Wishlist- School to set up a wish list and add items for us to share and parents/community purchase. To discuss in more detail at next meeting.

**Amazon Smile**

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**Next meeting-** 17<sup>th</sup> November via Zoom

