

Minutes

What: Friends of Willow Park School meeting

Where: Willow Park School, Staffroom

When: 6.30pm, August 8th, 2023.

Who: Duncan Millward (Principal), Emma Batey (Coordinator), Kirstin Mexis, Christin

Scharf, Nicky Bast, Melissa Irvine, Angela Fischer

Apologies: LO, JG, AK, TK, RC, FC

Item	Action	Who
Mathathon - debrief Successful fundraiser - approx \$7000 without requiring too much resource/people involved. Not as successful as Readathon -	Further discussion is required around whether we have another Raise-it type fundraiser next year or try something different. Chance to change things up for	All
Possible reasons: Math perhaps not as a popular choice Raise-it fatigue'? Off the back of Readathon Fundraising for classroom resource not as 'exciting' as e.g. playground	2024 and think of some new fundraising events	
BOT have been in discussion around fundraising - looking at other income streams such as Grants. Chance for FOWP to be involved in Grant applications/paperwork. Might be people in the school community who can help.	Ongoing discussion/planning required - perhaps in conjunction with BOT	DM/EB
Working Bee - debrief		
Went well, got lots done. Sponsored by Ben Kelsey who provided 5 of his staff.		



Saturday morning was tricky with		
sports etc.		
Plan another for Oct/Nov - either Sunday or Saturday afternoon followed by BBQ - focus on planting and nature area.	DM to look at possible dates	DM
Term 3 sausage sizzle		
DM suggested combining it with the sausage sizzle for Whanau Connect at the end of term.	Helpers required - will need to start cooking after school. EB can post message on FB and FoWP chat group.	EB
Cash and can organise Eftpos through Janine \$2.50 sausage and drinks - lots of drinks to use from Gala.		
Term 4 sausage sizzle - can be done during school time.		
Term 3 Disco		
Friday 8th September - DJ booked Change theme to Glowing (Neon) "Let's Glow and Disco" Could sell glow in the dark	Try and source blue light for neon glow in the dark and glow in the dark bunting	MI
accessories etc	MI to ask FC if she can update poster from last year	MI/FC
Junior - Yrs 0-2 (5pm - 6pm) Senior - Yrs 3-6 (6.30pm - 8pm)		
Lolly bags - sold out last year Pizzas and drinks	Need help for set up (10-15) and pack down and helpers on doors to keep students inside. Helpers in shop (selling lollies and drinks)	
Prizes to incentivise students staying in the hall. Spot prizes on ticket	and making lolly bags.	
number	Fran - Hero message including helper requests.	
Tickets and pizzas on kindo		



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Update from AK: Ordering open, last week next week. So far only 41 orders, so really need to get the information out to parents. • Flyers to be put in all students bags • Parent Hub FB post • Hero notice next week for final week of orders • Seesaw message to parents from class teachers to remind them to purchase. Art work must be delivered by 31st August in order to get the cheaper pricing Can do re-run later in year if required	Reminder to teachers about giving flyers to children and posting message on seesaw Reminder note to Fran for posting on Hero next week	DM AK/JG
Colour run Discussed having this in Term 1 2024 instead of Term 4 as a lot already happening at the end of the school year. Nice event to welcome everyone back to school	Term 1 2024 - date tbc	DM/MI
AOB Better 'branding' of FOWP: Discussed the need to advertise FOWP a little more. Can use the t-shirts that were printed for the Gala, badges that Frances made and look at getting a sign for whenever we run sausage sizzles etc. Help others understand what we do!	EB to look into sign options	EB
Christin also suggested a bit more education around what FOWP is and what we do - perhaps for new entrant parents?	Discuss with TK	
Look to run 1 x social event per year to try and increase numbers/awareness	Plan date for end of year?	

Next Meeting: TBC - Early Term 4 - staff room