

THE FRIENDS OF BELHAM

Committee meeting

The committee of the FOB met on 15th June 2016 at 95 Choubert Road SE15.

Members present:

Ginnie Kelly
Anna Herzberg
Sophie Ardern
Georgia Brown
Roger Ede
Chris Newman
Kathryn Phillips
Julie Fahy

Members were joined by Mark Raben from Dulwich Hamlets Junior School Friends' Association.

Members were shown the plan drawings for the garden (including proposed planting) which is estimated to be about 120 feet long. They were told that the plans had been submitted to the Education Funding Agency, with the expectation that the EFA would cover the garden costs. FOB is asked to provide loose play equipment (cost about £1000). The school will provide catalogues showing possible equipment. There will be a vegetable plot which parents will be asked to dig over. The garden will be used as an outdoor classroom

Sophie reported that a bank account has now been opened with the Peckham Rye branch of TSB and that the current account has £1,168.34. The promised start-up gift of £200 from Dulwich Hamlets is still due.

Chris handed out some window stickers which local businesses who signed up as FOB could put in their windows to show their support.

Members were asked to go to the Cherry Tree on 23rd June to talk to new parents about FOB. They will also be told about the quiz night then.

A kids' disco has been organised for 1st July between 4 and 5pm at the Coplestone Centre. It will be run by The Little Disco Co who will charge £140. Parents/carers will need to remain with their children and will be able to make a voluntary contribution towards the cost.

Members were told that 67 people had signed up so far for the quiz night on 13th July. An email has been sent inviting new parents to attend. Raffle tickets will be on sale on the day and about 5 raffle prizes have been offered so far. There will be prizes for the winning and the losing teams. Teams will write their team name on a folded piece of paper. A 'true or false' game will be held during an interval. It was suggested that the winning team will receive 6 bottles of wine, so that the prize can be easily divided between them. Pappa John's will offer a 30% discount and menus will be placed on tables. Serviettes and bin bags will be available.

The walking tour of Peckham is expected to take place on 7th July. The walk will last from 8pm until 9.30pm and cost £5 per person.

The design of the tea towels has been completed and the tea towels should be ready by 20th July. 1 printed order form will be put in each school bag and they will cost £4.50 each, 3 for £10. They will also be sold at the 23rd June event.

The next informal social will take place in the Autumn school term.

Whenever good weather is forecast, a picnic may be announced for Warwick Gardens.

The wine tasting evening is work in progress and will probably take place in the run-up to Xmas 2016. A parent/carer who is a wine expert will be sought, to avoid the cost of paying a tutor charge.

‘Toilet Twinning’ will be re-visited next term.

The next FOB meeting is on 6 July at the Peckham Liberal Club.