

FOAH Meeting - Tuesday, 29th September, 2026

Present:

Emma Fordham
Diane Cawthorn
Becca Copeman
Sally Davis
Caroline Hornby
Vicky Usher
Suzie Anderson
Hannah Bailey
Hiren Kamani
Carly
Gabriella Oprisan

Upcoming events:

Halloween Disco:

Event lead: Caroline

Confirmed date: Monday, 2nd November

Disco Factory DJ Bailey is confirmed

Needs hall access from 2:15 for set up - first disco starting 3:15 for year 3.

45 min per disco then get the kids into the dining room whilst the next group comes in and immediately starts their disco (so we need to be efficient at getting kids out of the hall or the incoming group will have less time to dance - Emma confirmed teachers would be on hand to help with this).

I've put a poll into whatsapp and there are a few volunteers already.

Next steps - I need to do the poster and confirm Arbor set up with the office (will do this week) - Arbor needs to close 19th October so office can do risk assessment before half term so this is quite urgent now.

Need to sort decorations, pizza/squash.

Finalise volunteer schedule.

A lot of discussion on pricing - consensus to keep disco at £5 but up present room costs (looked at as a whole). Note: Letchmore is charging £6 so likely ok to up for next year.

Christmas Cards:

Project lead: Becca

All in hand - being sent off tomorrow.

Christmas Present Room:

Event lead: Sally

Decision to up price to £3.

Date: Friday 4 December

Present shopping going well; doesn't think she needs support but keep eye out for deals on edibles (chocolates) especially as those have gotten expensive.
850 gifts bought already - target approx. 1100

Christmas Carols event

Raffle/Refreshments - Suzie confirmed as event lead

10th December, 5-6:30pm

Sell tickets online for raffle, pull prize at end of event to keep people there

Discussed class hampers - decided not to as too complicated

Summer inflatables event / 70th anniversary

Fundraiser vs celebration; family fun day - pin in it for now as no one wanted to be project lead.

Open up to whatsapp group and otherwise bring back up for next meeting.

World Book Day

Chocolate has gotten expensive - can we find a parent with supermarket discount to help

Other events this school year:

Penny wars

Fdpr

Mdpr

Ice cream fridays

Staff requests:

- Outdoor storage - consensus that no room, so let's buy a new one. Sally suggested that the teacher have our storage and we buy a new, air tight one which makes sense as hers is for outdoor stuff and ours isn't really fit for what we need. Emma is going to look at it with Mr Brown on Monday and come back to us.
- Aircon - school said it's just too expensive to purchase. Sally suggested hiring instead - Carly can try to get quotes (this is what Letchmore are doing)
- Hoodies and year books - hoodies £1300; yearbooks down to £750 - agreed
- £5000 for opal project - agreed. Funding has been cut so this is to help finish the project with purchasing outdoor creative play equipment. Let's use this in our messaging to parents - "this is our fundraising goal this year" to help motivate everyone.