

## **Friends of Woodberry Down School**

### **Minutes from meeting on 7 Oct 2016**

#### **Planning for winter fair – 9 December**

**Exciting development** - Daniel from Berkeley Homes is meeting Anne, Kelly and Angela next Tuesday to discuss what they can do to support our winter fair, hopefully sponsor the Santa's grotto.

#### **Christmas jumper idea**

Anne has asked Bilal whether the school will be running a Christmas jumper day where kids pay 50p. This goes to a different charity. If the school is not planning this, however, we've asked if we can do it on the day of the winter fair with the proceeds going to FOWD.

#### **Christmas decoration/tinsel donation box**

To help decorate the hall we will ask for donations of Christmas decorations via a box which can hopefully be left in reception.

#### **Santa's grotto**

We said it would be great to get the children's involvement in decorating this. Year 5 or 6 could make decorations and also be elves. Younger years could do pictures which could be mounted on a board.

Another suggestion was to buy some small Christmas trees and each class gets to decorate one which prizes for most creative.

**Action: Bilal to organise the above.**

We also considered whether an inflatable igloo is a good idea.

#### **Parent stalls**

We said we could rent out stalls to parents who have their own businesses to sell their products in the upstairs hall. We would charge £25 per stall.

#### **Volunteers**

We need to start getting a list of parents who will volunteer to help.

**Action: please confirm if you'd like to volunteer and please pass on details of other parents who are willing.**

#### **School choir performances**

We would like to choir to learn: Winter Wonderland, All I Want for Christmas and Silent Night. We'd like 2 performances, one to open the event and one to close.

**Action: Bilal to organise.**

#### **Marketing**

Kelly will do a poster which will go out after bonfire night. We will start advertising in the newsletter and everyone needs to start asking parents if they'd like to join in.

### **Location and access**

We are going to do a check of the location and access shortly with Bilal to make sure everything will run smoothly.

### **Other ways to raise funds**

The group discussed a way we can raise money via internet shopping on sites like Amazon, Sainsbury's and John Lewis. You can register your charity and then receive a % of the purchase price. As soon as the bank account is ready we will register.

We also discussed Kickstarter, a crowdfunding site, which can be a great way to get specific projects funded. Two parents are aware of how it works and are happy to discuss with the group. The idea was that it could maybe be used to build an art area for the school.