

FRIENDS OF RIPLEY  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
11<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2016

Present:- Lesley, Ange, Karen, John and Jo

Apologies:- Jacob and Lucia

**Treasurer's Report**

See attached sheet – still to be banked, money from the Fun Run and the Dance Show

**Fun Run**

Another well attend run despite the rather damp weather. Spirits were kept high with the Ripley Band playing in the canteen. The age range was quite wide this year with the youngest being just 7 years old and the oldest in their 70's so well done to all who attended!! Many thanks go to Louise at the Running Centre for her help and input into this event and helping with prizes too. The results will be shown on The Friends' Facebook page soon.

Over 250 entered this year with 200 registering prior to the event.

Gravy was popular this year (first time we have done this with the supper) so more of that required next year and more peas too!! Next year's date for your diary will be 27<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

**Requests for money – see attached departmental letters**

Sociology and psychology request from previous meeting – adjusted request for 15 Samsung Galaxy Tabs instead of Ipad minis

approved at a cost of £1499.85

Ag and Hort request for funds to purchase a cultivator

approved at a cost of £275.00

Modern Languages request for funds for a software subscription to "linguscope" for a period of 12 months . This can be used for years 7 – 11 for French, German and Spanish

approved at a cost of £300.00

## **Annual Raffle**

To be discussed at next meeting re moving this to Easter time due to pressures on parents in September when they have already had a large outlay financially. If anyone is having a clear out and has any "as new/ unopened" items suitable for raffle prizes then please send them into the school for the attention of The Friends. We can make up chocolate hampers/bath product hampers/wine hampers etc. The prizes are not to be used until the raffle next year so any sell by dates will have to take that into consideration. Many thanks in advance.

Also, if you as parents/guardians can offer any services as prizes we would love to hear from you. Items such as "free Will Writing, Car Valeting, Gardening Services etc..

## **Strawberry Supper Service**

This will be held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June. This is always a lovely service to attend in the Chapel prior to eating fresh cream scones out in the Quad. More information will be sent out soon regarding this event.

## **Next Meeting**

Wednesday June 8<sup>th</sup> 7pm in MA8 – if you would like to attend and don't know where the room is shout up and we will arrange to come and meet you in the reception area – don't be shy!!

## **UPCOMING FUND RAISING EVENT**

**For all you bargain hunters out there and fashionistas – we are hoping to hold a discount clothing fashion event early next year with discounts of up to 70%!!!!**

**This will be a "ticket holders only" event so watch this space for more information**



THE FRIENDS OF RIPLEY ST THOMAS - MEETING 11<sup>th</sup> MAY 2016

Balances as at 29<sup>th</sup> April 2016

CURRENT ACCOUNT	12,089.20
TRANSPORT ACCOUNT	18,953.82
6 <sup>TH</sup> FORM ACCOUNT	8.54
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>31,051.56</u></b>

**NOTES:**

**Current Account**

Funds still to be banked: Supper Run, Dance Concert £73.50, £10 donation  
Balance includes £74.94 Giving Machine donation (to be transferred to transport account)

**The Giving Machine**

Donations this year to date £74.94  
Total donations to date £499.15 (£479.78 received)  
1325 donations to date from 71 givers (no additional givers registered since Feb 2016)

**Funds to School, year to date**

PE Department	£419.85
Ripley Music	£1000.00
Awards Evening prizes	£250.00
Assorted tbc	£917.73
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£2587.58</b>

**Monies banked since last meeting**

Yr 7 Parents Eve	£192.75
Chas print	£39.50
Music Concert Refresh	£194.35
Yr 8 Parents Eve	£164.45
RST returned funds	£441.86

**Other**

The process is now underway to move our current account and savings account from Barclays to Natwest.  
The 6<sup>th</sup> Form account balance of £8.54 will be put into the new savings (transport) account.