

PTA Committee Meeting

Monday 11th September - 7.30pm - 9.30

MINUTES

Attendees: Ceri Shaw, Louise Ruddall, Caroline Villiers,, Fliss Childs (FC), George Tomlinson, Chris Shaw, Sara Buchanan (SB), Jo Taylor, Lucy Dunbar, Amanda Barrington, Sue Rose.

Apologies: Vicky Moffat (Peck), Clive Seager, Jamie Colston, Andrew Wishart (AW).

Fund Raising

George & Lou have had a response from Mr Wishart with regard to questions asked about the amount of funds needed to be raised in the next year.

It comes down to: £18,000 needs to be raised this academic year if each class is to have a teaching assistant every morning until 1pm. Despite £7,000 (Current balance is £9,000) of funds from the existing account being pledged to fund the £18,000 short fall, there are other things that will need funding through out the year. For example: History (week of trips), Let's Explore, Shakespeare project over 2 terms and possibly more.

We don't know whether this level needs to be raised in future years and so it would be preferable to start next year with a float of more than £2,000. Hence we have set our target of £18,000.

Funds will need to be raised from PTA Events, Requests for Direct Debits from parents, Give as you Live, Grants, Individuals Events (ie outside of the PTA) & Fund Matching from employers.

Give as You live: There is a £5 referral bonus....£500 could easily be raised just by every parent (through referal) signing up and referring someone else. If two parents from a household did this it would be even more.

Sara Buchanan to print out a flyer for the meet the teacher meetings next week (18th Sept).

Fund raising subcommittee: Chris, Sara, Jess Sibson?, Clive Seager?

Recipe Book: George to liaise with AW & Yr 6 teachers with regard to getting a recipe book off the ground. Hoping for local businesses to sponsor it to get a good

quality and saleable printed copy. Could be a Yr 6 business project which could generate further sponsorship from businesses/grant awarding bodies.

Gift Aid:

BT my donate.... need a page for each event.

Christmas Term Events

Fireworks: In hand with Jo. Needs a couple more sponsors and is hopeful of raising about £2,00 for school (SPlit of 2/3 to school and 1/3 to preschool)

Christmas Fayre : Raised £1,338 last year. Need someone to head up the organisation of this.... this is urgent as planning needs to start now. Various idea as to who could be selling, the class reps involvement etc.

A Raffle may be needed also.

Jo Taylor will share her spreadsheet of companies and individuals who will have been and can be asked for raffle prizes.

Cake Sales: Amanda just needs the dates. First one at the end of September and then allocated going forward and through out the year.

School disco - Rosie Ritchie is happy to continue, but will need to hand it over at some point this year.

To ask Graham as to what he is organising this year: Chris to contact.

Riverford/Vicky Mowat may organise another cookery workshop but haven't fixed on a date yet. So far they have contributed £550 to the school through the Riverford Scheme.

Christmas cards - ??

Nativity DVD - Amanda

Charity Christmas trees: Mill Class/Amanda.

Other fund raisers/activities discussed were:

Christmas cards - just said we need to check with Pippa to see if this is something the PTA are involved with

Nativity DVD - Amanda to check that the people they need are available

Film Night: Need to look into licensing requirements for this.

Also, mentioned the idea of a camp out in the summer.

AOB

A parent has asked whether the PTA would be interested in raising funds for a Defibrillator at school. There is a defibrillator at the Galleries so the PTA would not want to raise a further £10,000 for another one to be held at the school at this time. However, it did pose the question of whether we would like to organise for a communal paediatric first aid course?

New Parents meeting on Friday (15th Sep) at 9am in the school hall. Please can as many of the current PTA show their faces so that new parents know who they can approach.

**Next committee meeting
Mon 6th November. 7.15 for 7.30 prompt start
Venue TBC**