

Minutes of PTFA meeting 28.01.2020

Attendees: James Tibbles, Lexie Minter, Fluffy Caffyn, Rebecca Thomas, Matthew Jones, Alan Goggin, Odette Johnson, Hayley Steer and Estella Last.

Apologies: Emma Haynes, Helen Shillito, Sarah Bradford, Ali Williams

1. RT discussed this years events that the PTFA help to run.

- Coffee morning for new parents
- PTFA Quiz night
- Fireworks Night
- Christmas Bazaar
- Christmas Disco
- Bridge 5km Fun Run
- School fete
- Summer fete
- Barn Dance

The PTFA will continue to support these events. It was decided that the Christmas disco will likely be moved to October and become a light disco (due to Christmas being such a busy period).

The Quiz night has been booked for Friday 25th September 2020 & the Night yard are kindly allowing us to use their venue again. More details to follow.

The barn dance has been booked at Chilham Barn for Saturday 21st November 2020 – more details to follow.

2. AG discussed the finances and the fixed expenditure of the PTFA over the year.

Fixed expenses:

- Mini buses
- Buster Book club
- Year 6 leavers disco
- Sports day
- Donations
- Insurance/Admin
- Equipment/Books
- Kampala Choir/Children
- Arts/Music

Roughly £8000 in total for commitments above.

3. Summer Fete

We discussed the running of the fete. We desperately require parent/grandparent support to run the stalls as there weren't enough games for the children to play last year due to this.

We are looking into outsourcing the food this year to allow more helpers.

There was a discussion about possibly having debit/credit card machines to use at the fete.

Class reps will be contacted to help gather support from parents.

Do any parents have a popcorn or candyfloss maker that the PTFA could borrow for the fete?

Upcycling uniform stall to be at the fete.

Sound system possibly to be supplied by Chad Johnson.

Fete Actions:

RT to write Letter to go out to parent reps and parents to sign up for a stall.

HS & RT to write to companies/places asking for a donation of a raffle prize

4. Library mural

An artist parent has kindly agreed to paint a mural for the new school library and the children will be taking part in a sponsored read-a-thon during book week to raise money for this. Any extra funds needed will be covered by the PTFA. JT and HA to organise the sponsorship forms.

Book Day – 5th March.

5. Music/Arts room fundraising

We discussed ways to fundraise for the music/arts building that is to hopefully be built where the old swimming pool used to be. This will be a community building, so will be open for the village and the parish, possibly for public events. This is quite a large fundraising project and this year the PTFA will donate £1000 to support the start of the fundraising. The aim is for this to be built by September 2021.

Actions:

MJ is researching into funding the project.

JT will contact businesses for sponsorship and companies for build quotes.

RT to contact Waitrose regarding tokens.

HS to look into crowd funding

Next core group meeting: 8.45am, Wednesday 12th February 2020 – HT office.

6. A.O.B

- AG - Organise a PTA debit card
- Possible cheese and wine night to be organised as a social for parents.

- PTFA to write a termly newsletter with the first to go out just after February half term.
- Letter to parents to ask for any raffle prize donations.
- Some parents asked about wanting to donate money to the PTFA as they can't donate time. This is something that needs to be discussed further.