

Parents Association Meeting, 1 November 2018

Meeting summary and action points

In Attendance

Yemisi Corinaldi (Chair), Mr Coyle (CC), Larissa Avery, Pauline Hughes, Nadya Morgenstern, Akosuah Owusu-Ansah, Bernie Butler-Leyland, Kathy Dover, Luna Keza, Ana Brzuszek, Yashoda Sutcliffe.

Apologies

Teresa Zych, Anamaria Mulcahy Rosales, Beatrice Amon, Aoife Ni Mhorain, Mo Rathore.

Nothing arising from the last meeting, that isn't covered in tonight's discussions.

Feedback on Bingo Night

Bingo Night (12 October) raised £1,030 – that most this event has ever raised. There was very high attendance, including new Nursery and Reception parents. Perhaps it was a bit too crowded, so ticketing could be considered in the future just to manage capacity. The event coincided with a Parish First Communion meeting, which may have helped drive up attendance.

Upcoming event: Sparkly Disco

The discos are on 9 November, 5 – 6.15 for Infants and 6.30 – 8 for Juniors. Nursery children can attend if an older sibling is at the disco and is supervised by a parent/carer. They will need to buy tickets. Volunteers have signed up, so there should be enough help. Set up can start at 4.30, so volunteers should arrive then.

Parents are being encouraged to buy tickets in advance, but they will also be sold on the night. Attendance of around 250 is expected. Selling advance tickets in the playground is difficult because of the need for change.

On the night a separate table is needed to sell tickets. All children will be given a bag with their 'freebies' when they go in. All additional glow sticks, snacks, drinks, activities will be charged for. Some older children will come along to encourage the infants to dance. There will be competitions for best dressed, best musical statue, best dancing, etc.

To manage the flow of children between discos, the infants will leave via the playground, while the juniors arrive at the office entrance.

Actions:

- **Volunteers asked to arrive at 4.30.**
- **Harry to be asked to take photos.**

Christmas Fair

The Fair is on Saturday 1 December. Class Reps are involving parents in their year groups to organise a stall.

Christmas Trees

Meeting agreed delivery date for trees of 7 December. If the price of the trees is the same, the school mark up can remain the same as last year. Volunteers are needed to take the trees off the delivery truck, as last year school staff had to do this.

Actions:

- **Time of delivery at school to be confirmed (Yemisi)**
- **Volunteers to be found to help unload trees (all).**

Raffle

Some great prizes have already been secured, including Disney tickets. Three top prizes must be on the printed ticket (£250 from Eden Harper, Disney tickets and may have an Apple product). A list of all the prizes can go out with the ticket books and be on display at the Fair. Tickets sales will begin as soon as they are printed.

Actions:

- **Confirm Apple donation (Kathy)**
- **Finalise tickets for printing (Bernie).**

Christmas Cards

Art work is currently being produced in school and should be done by 7 November. Cards should be available to order in good time for Christmas.

Estate Agent Boards

A notice went in the newsletter and names are coming in. A flyer will go in school bags next week, once we have Eden Harper's logo. Sign up sheets will be at the Sparkly Disco and a notice will go in the Parish newsletter. Yashoda to contact people from last year's list who have not replied. First address list to go to Eden Harper on 9 November. Can addresses be returned by 13 Nov, as final date is 15 Nov. This gives time to chase up any late leads.

Actions:

- **Send flyer to the school to go in book bags (Yashoda)**
- **Keep encouraging people to sign up (all)**

Santa's Grotto

Ana agreed to lead on this. The Santas must be confirmed. The number of costumes in the shed needs to be checked. Advance tickets will be available on Parent Pay, but some will also be available to buy on the day. Books will be given as gifts. Is it possible to source good books for around £1 a book? There are also pencils in the shed which could be included. Volunteers will be needed to wrap presents and be Santa's helpers on the day.

Actions:

- **Confirm Santas (Yemisi and Ana)**
- **Volunteers needed as Santa's Helpers**

Wreaths and plants

A supplier needs to be confirmed. The margin on the wreaths is very low. Two left unsold could result in a financial loss. Does there need to be a greater margin? This depends on the cost price. A volunteer who has previously worked on the stall will do it again at this year's Fair.

Actions:

- **Find and confirm a supplier (Yemisi)**

Beat the Goalie

The football coach who did it last year may not be available. Can Mr Brady be asked?

Actions:

- **Ask Mr Brady (Yemisi/Mr Coyle)**

Irish Coffee, hot drinks

The stall can also sell tea and coffee and provide it for the volunteers. Can we use filter coffee for the Irish Coffee? Larissa can provide a filter machine. Can the people who ran the stall do it again this year?

Actions:

- **Ask last year's volunteers if they will run it again (Pauline)**

Sweets

Rather than a stall, can these be sold usherette style, from mobile trays? This worked previously. Some children could be involved, but would need buckets to collect money. Ingrid to take this forward.

Barbeque and beer

This is always popular. Volunteers to be confirmed.

Actions:

- **Can Anna and Mel do this again this year? (Yemisi)**

Present wrapping

Will Martha run this again? Where should it be located at the Fair?

Actions:

- **Can Martha do this again this year? (Akosuah)**

Other Christmas Fair items

A letter to Parents should go out in book bags tomorrow.

Some Year 6 helpers could be recruited via the school.

Fr Adrian will open the Fair, Richard Avery will compere, music will be organised by Larissa Avery and Ben Chan.

Bernie asked if it is possible to ask parents if any of their employers offer matched finding schemes, where they will donate money if their employees raise money for the school.

Actions:

- **Ask Nadya about card readers for payments at next meeting.**
- **Mr Coyle to contact Chuka Umunna's office to invite him.**
- **Can Mrs Tatton be asked to contact Mr Jackman, who likes to help at the Fair?**
- **A message about matched funding to be sent out (Bernie).**

Class Representatives

Thanks to all the new Class Reps who have been great at getting messages out to parents. There are still some gaps, notably Years 6 and 4. Dates for a get together will be considered at the next meeting.

Actions:

- **Can Reps be found for classes in Years 6 and 4? (all)**

Future event – Wine Tasting

The Church Hall can be used for this event from 8.30 on 23 November. It will be run by a CC parent, Richard from Avery's of Bristol. This date has been chosen because it doesn't clash with the Fair, but will be in time for people to stock up on wines for Christmas. It will be an adult only event for approximately 60 people. Tickets are likely to be £15 a head, expected profit TBC.

Actions:

- **Larissa and Richard to work with Yemisi to take this forward**

Update on Green projects

There is an anti-idling event at the school on Tuesday 6 November from 2.45. A representative from Lambeth Council is coming in to assist.

The application for an Aviva grant has reached the voting stage, so can we all encourage people to vote. A message will go to the class reps. It has been sent to parents via the school app. Thanks to Bernie for her work on this.

Mr Coyle has contacted Lambeth Council to raise the issue of 'Closed Streets', limiting car access to the street. He has offered Corpus Christi as a trial school.

Actions:

- **Let Bernie know if you can help at the anti-idling event (all).**
- **Encourage people to vote for the Aviva grant (all).**

Any Other Business

The meeting originally scheduled for tomorrow morning will be cancelled.

Next PA meeting is Friday 9 November at 9am.

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