



Minutes of NPSA meeting

27th September 2021 at 7.30pm in the Blue room

Present:		Apologies:
Ellie Giles	Lucinda Brook	Tamsin Smith
Louise Slowgrove	Ailie Steele	Anna Beeton
Katherine Wellings	Javier Rivas	Gill Simpson
Charlotte Morris	Beth Hamilton	Tracey Pollard
Laura Pincock	Hannah Williams	Sarah Evans
Hannah Brownell	Jan Bishop	Kathy Runacres
Aimee Bates	Amy Osborn	
Tracy Gahagan	Gill Kennaugh	
Jen Stenning	Mim Wharf	
Amanda West	Neil Clews	
Rebecca Whelan	Fiona Remnant	
Kathy Thornton	Susan Brinkworth	
Cat Jolley		

1. **Welcome & introductions (KW)**
2. **Financial position (KR)** – Apologies from KR meant this item was postponed to next meeting. KW gave brief overview of financial position.
3. **Recent events:**
 - a. **Photography Competition** – run over the summer holidays but limited entries.
 - b. **Bag2School** – Last week’s collection raised £79, next event will be a Monday pick up if possible to enable weekend drop off in school.
 - c. **Julian House CoB Walk** - Joint event with Oldfield School to raise money for Julian House. with a view to closer links on future events. Around £100 so far (items not sold being sold at Oldfield).
4. **Upcoming events:**
 - a. **Cake sale** -6B & 2A Friday 8th October in the upper school hall. Cakes to be delivered in the morning and sold at the end of the day. Kate Warner organising. 6B and 2A reps to remind parents / carers, recruit helpers to set up, sell and clear up. Single price, no change, cash only.
 - b. **Autumn Fair? (KW)** – New proposed event as there was no summer fair last year and uncertainty over Xmas fair this year because of pandemic. This event would be smaller than traditional NPSA fairs. It was proposed that it could include similar activities to pumpkin trail last year (children carve pumpkins which are displayed outdoors at school for people to vote on). Discussion about whether this event would be viable. Request for volunteers. Would need temporary events licence for bar. Due to planning time it was decided this would work better as a Winter Fair, possibly linked to Winter Windowland. November 20th / 27th proposed as date to allow for planning. As this would not be near to pumpkin season it was decided that a pumpkin trail, if held would be a separate event in the last weekend of half term. Volunteers request to go in newsletter. Guidance available.
 - c. **Firework night (KB/LB)** - 4th November Kathy Thornton and Lucinda Brook to organise, support requested, also asking for volunteers for the event. Ideas for environmentally

friendly sellable objects to replace glow sticks requested. Food will be sold but not pre-ordered. Hot dogs and doughnuts (Krispy Kreme charity deal to be requested in advance). Drinks (which will require temporary event licence). Request for lighting engineer as the parent who previously did the event no longer has links to the school. Volunteers receive tickets for free.

- d. **Quiz Night?** – Neil Clews to organise. Face to face in February. Tickets will be sold per table. Snacks will be provided (not full meal) and bar will sell additional snacks. Possible additional virtual quiz term 6 with smaller groups in their own homes.

5. Christmas

- a. **Cards** – KW to organise, children will produce art work in school in the 2 weeks before half term. Proofs will be sent home over half term for orders.
- b. **Puddings** – Volunteers requested - Beth Hamilton and Laura Pincock to organise. Competition to be run to design the label so puddings will be Newbridge branded, 4 varieties. Fiona Remnant will organise sales.
- c. **Raffle** – Last year this was an online raffle with each class organising a prize of a themed hampers. Previously prizes were made from donations to the fair. This year the raffle will remain online online. Anglepoise and skin care donations (Neil Clews and Laura Pincock).
- d. **Fair** – Suggestion to move to Winter fair (see above item 4b), with limit to external providers' stalls to limit numbers.
- e. **Grotto** – This can be run as a separate event.
- f. **Decorations** – request for volunteers to put up and remove Christmas decorations in the school to go in newsletter.
- g. **Winter Windowland** – possibly to coincide with Winter fair. Refreshments for sale (Emmanuel Church). Over several evenings 4-8pm. This created lots of outside interest across the community last year. Depending on dates, it may be possible to have a stall at Winter fair for children to make window decorations. To run over 2 weekends. Kate Taylor (not present), Jan Bishop & Hannah Williams to support
- h. **Calendar (additional item)** – Team in place Louise Broom (photos) Vicki Milne (in school liaison) Anna Storm (Artwork), Helen Clarke (sponsorship), Mrs Milne within school to organise photos. How to guide available. Aimee Bates to coordinate. This will be pre-sold via NPSA website. Printer still required..

6. AoB

- a. **Auditor** – request for new auditor, Aimee Bates to ask her father. Beth Hamilton's husband could also do this if Aimee's father is not able to.
- b. **Playground redevelopment** – Gill Kennaugh explained the required work, request for members to join working party. Fundraising needed. This will be an extensive project over a couple of years
- c. **Ground force day** – 16th October.
- d. **Matched funding** – suggestion for people who work for companies who offer this to investigate further and then involve themselves in running high earning activities (eg bar)
- e. **Skin care sales** – Laura Pincock offered to contribute. Further details to follow.
- f. **Uniform sale** – KW to investigate possibility of a uniform sale in the near future as there are shortages of uniform. It may be possible to include football boots and shoes although these require lots of storage space.
- g. **Thanks to class reps (MW)**– MW suggested that Whatsapp could be used for brief, last minute messages and will contact reps to organise this.

Date of next meeting:

On zoom probably first week Nov. TBC