



Minutes of NPSA meeting
11th November 2021 at 8pm on zoom

Present:		Apologies:
Katherine Wellings	Amy Osborn	Jan Bishop
Gill Simpson	Fiona Remnant	Beth Hamilton
Neil Clews	Aimee Bates	Anna Beeton
Hannah Brownell	Tracey Pollard	
Julie Box	Kate Whiting	
Louise Slowgrove	Laura Pincock	
Kathy Thornton	Pete Morris	
Gill Kennaugh	Jacqui Hansard	
Susan Brinkworth	Nick Wharf	
Charlotte Morris	Hannah Williams	
Sarah Evans	Ellie Giles	
Lucinda Brook	Kathy Runacres	
Tamsin Smith		

1. Welcome (KW)
2. Updates from class reps: generally things are slower because conversations in the playground are less common. Relationships for new parents are slower to build. Fireworks sold out very quickly, showing that people are still keen to attend. Suggestion to give advance notice of events (this is only possible if organising teams are already set up). Visual reminders as posters in school suggested.
3. Upcoming events
 - a. Fireworks night (KW/KB/LR) – Hoping for this event to run 2nd December; reduction in covid cases should enable this. Additional publicity for local community to ensure awareness (with QR code for donations). Explanation of reason for date change: fundraising, children’s experience. Local community whatsapp / nextdoornewbridge. Social media, notes through doors. reminder to include Apsley Rd. FR organising ticket refunds for those unable to make the new date. Community members could be invited to donate.
 - b. Virtual Quiz night (NC) – Low ticket sales, further push required, including a preview. Some parents felt it was expensive. Publicity to include emphasis on why we are raising money. Suggestion to enable smaller team groups. Deadline for sales Monday 15th , event 19th November.
 - c. Winter Windowland (CM) – 37 windows signed up, deadline 22nd November, will be included on the letter drop for fireworks.
 - d. Calendar (AB) – photos taken, logos nearly complete, live on website from Monday, organised 25 paying sponsors at £38 which is £950.
 - e. Christmas puddings (LP/BH) – competition artwork voted by class reps (on Whatsapp), artwork to be added to newsletter to announce winner. Sales open to 17th November.
 - f. Christmas cards (KW) – arrival imminent
 - g. Winter Fair prospects (KW) – unsure of whether we would get enough volunteers and reluctance to run event prior to Christmas when people won’t want to be exposing

themselves to Covid. Suggestion to run mini fair during school day for classes to visit but logistical difficulties and lack of fundraising opportunities. Decision to move to a Spring fair. For Christmas: Outdoor grotto in outdoor classroom 11th December to follow on from winter windowland. Offers to help organise from: Kate Whiting to help prepare, Hannah Brownell, Fiona Remnant, Julie Bayliss, Tracey Pollard, Neil Clews – y6 elves to be recruited. 15 children per 30 minute slot. 10 tickets allocated to vulnerable children.

- h. Raffle – raised a lot of money last year, suggestions welcomed regarding a proposal for this year. Suggestions that themed hampers might not be appreciated by recipients.
- i. cookery book – to be launched in the new year, print costs have gone up to £4.50 per book - so we are going to need to sell for £10+

- 4. Finance update (KR) attached is a summary of where we are financially. £646 from calendars so far thanks to Helen Clarke, £323 from 100 club since start of term, £191 from the cake sale last term, £1334 profit on ticket sales for fireworks. Lifeskills for year 6, ongoing commitment, £800 this year.
- 5. Date for next NPSA meeting - TBC
- 6. AOB – requests for funding, GK to remind teachers that requests for funding should come through SLT. Reminder that new committee members will be required next year. Reminder that if class reps wish to be included in the Whatsapp group, 'phone numbers should be shared with Mim Wharf by email (but numbers will then be public to the group).