



Minutes of NPSA meeting

1st May 2024 at 7.00pm

Present:		Apologies:
Fran Derrien	Hannah Williams	Neil Clews
Tracey Pollard	Anna Dawson	Kate Taylor
Sarah Smith	Becca Whelan	Katie Read-Barrow
Mr Bacon	Gill Kennaugh	Rachel Rogers
Lucy Clarke	Sarah Keep	Sandra Yarker
Esther Gardiner	Kathy Thornton	Hannah Brownell
Jen Stenning	Lucinda Brook	Amy Wade
		Gemma Phillips
		Joe Laishley
		Linzi Hole

- Welcome – Fran
- JLT – Mr Bacon
 - a. Discussion about how the NPSA can help to support the Junior Leadership team.
 - b. One of the things that Newbridge do is identifying the charities that we want to support such as the International Red Cross, and more recently and close to heart Sarah Webb with the fundraiser around that. The JLT gives the pupils the chance to support these.
 - c. The Cake Sale on 17th May has been earmarked as a JLT event.
 - d. Further ideas are considering a carwash for staff and a non-uniform day.
 - e. Support the NPSA can offer is to send out group messages, and get people to donate cakes etc. The board planned for the front can also be used to advertise events to support the JLT, and the newsletter can help as well.
- Tesco Grant/ Library Update
 - a. The lottery grant was unfortunately rejected. Esther has kindly completed a new grant application which would be used to buy new books, with a timescale of 1 year to spend the money if it is granted.
 - b. One of the parents of a Yr1 child is running the revamp/ move of the library, re-using the shelves etc to keep costs low. There are plans to use the upper school foyer more, with more books on wheels so the space can still be used.
 - c. The main spend will be on making the space feel more inclusive, extending it down the corridor, and to get more things in the lower school.
 - d. There is a tight timescale as the music room needs to be moved to the current space of the library, and the NPSA is looking at how to increase volunteers to help with the move including external areas like GoodGym.

- Review of last terms events

Bounce and Buy

Raised £1000 in profit. The tokens worked well. There were two sets of tables which could have been confusing. Feedback has been positive. Confusion about how many tokens people should be buying – need a more clear display in future.

Express yourself

Raised a good amount of money.

Easter Hunt

£230 was raised for an event with a fairly simple and easy set up.

- Forward Look

a. Planning for the next big events

- Family Fun Run – 19 May. Thinking about a different style where they might use different colour powders (such as used in Holi celebrations)
- BBQ – 14 June. Tom Dunn has been approached to do a hog roast and is happy to do it. Need to arrange the bar and advertising it. There needs to be a team in place to organise this – some volunteers have already stepped forward (to buy the bar stuff, design a poster, get and organise the volunteers). The potential for kids food options discussed.
- Summer Fare - 13 July. Need a team of people to run this one. Might move to the 6 July, to avoid clashing with Pride.

b. Comms over the remaining term

- Considering how to not bombard parents with too many messages, when it is very hard to get it right for everyone as people prefer different ways of being given information.
- The school calendar on the website is not that well known – more could be done to direct people to this, and set up alerts from it.
- Need to remind people about the Facebook page as this is a useful way of getting information out to everyone. It's an open page, but not for comments.

c. Appetite for another quiz

- Unlikely to be able to fit this in before the end of the year. 10 weeks left in the term so consensus was a 'no'.

- Treasurer Update

- a. Ticking up nicely. £34K is where we are at – including the 16K ringfenced for a rainy day. Only a few more school trips. Leavers Hoodies still to pay for as well. Have enough to cover the £11.5K remaining playground bill, and enough to cover the next years regular spend.
- b. Conservative estimate of raising £4.5K over the next term so there should be some that we can give to the library fund.
- c. Crowdfunding for the library is already live – a link will be sent via the class reps.

- AOB

Next Meeting: AGM – Tuesday 2 July at 7.30pm