

Walmsley CofE School PTA

Walmsley Build Fund Committee

Minutes of 1st WBFC Meeting on 05 March 2019

Present

Carolyn Crossland	Mukhtar Valli	Kate Wicklen
Kim Walsh	Charlotte Brierley	Sam Such
Lisa Fairclough	Ashley Irlam	Becky Lynch
Neil Mcallion	Rachel Massey	Sara Dacey
Kate Leamy	Steven Moore	Michelle Brandwood
Jade McCann	Lindsay Murray	Catherine Cardwell
Sam Rush	Deborah Howarth	Rebecca Milligan
Claire Wood	Paul Disley	Suzie Disley
Sammie Banks	Helen Haywood	Julia Dawson
John Conlon		

Note: Approximately 50 parents were in attendance. The names presented above are those that were logged on the attendance sheet.

School are genuinely uplifted by the level of support they have had since the last PTA meeting and expressed their appreciation and thanks for the efforts of the WBFC and the parent community.

CC and MV shared a number of items raised by parents with school.

Nothing raised from the parents was new to the school and has been explored in other meetings and with The Governing Board. These issues ultimately fall outside of the remit of the PTA fundraising and agreed our focus needs to be on seeking to raise the shortfall in funds in the window of opportunity – and then on-going.

Confirmed upcoming events

- Easter Egg bingo Friday 29th March
- Children's Mini Bake-off and family fun day at The Brewhouse, Dunscair Monday 8th April (time TBC)
- Nerf night at Fidgets Friday 17th May, separate KS1 and KS2 sessions

Main Points of Discussion

Match funding letter due to come home from School this week. Can people find out if their employer does match funding.

Gift aid will be claimed on all donations made to the school bank account. Forms will be sent out to parents to allow backdated claims to be made.

Could claim gift aid on all our donation buckets that are going out if the school or PTA have been claiming gift aid for the last two years. Potential to remove entry fees for school events and have a suggested donation bucket.

Easter Egg Bingo As demand is so high, to explore the possibility of running 3 sessions at the Easter egg bingo. Bingo caller urgently needed. Will need support and the donation of lots of eggs. Needs confirming with school.

Bag packing at supermarkets is being explored by a couple of parents and a number have already offered to undertake this. Clarity is needed about the level and cost of DBS checks before this can progress.

Easy Fundraising – Go through this website and use links to head to all sites giving the school a donation of 1% up to 6% of sales in every transaction.

HP Community Tech fund, offering £25,000 to a School every quarter. Submissions should detail what the school would do with the money. Next quarter ends 30th June.

Easter Egg hunt, using Egerton Cricket Club as a base if available.

Gala Dinner – has great potential and needs support with organising. Also discussed a cheaper alternative along the lines of pastie and peas and disco at the cricket club. Both have their advantages and need volunteers to engage and progress

Raffle and Tombola prizes – we already have some fantastic raffle prizes donated but will need much more. All parents encouraged to approach contacts that they may have to help generate. We will also need bottles of wine (and some empty screw top bottles), chocolate for hampers etc.