



Registered Charity No. 1091618

## **Minutes of Meeting 30/01/2020**

**Present:** Faye, Kirsty, Kate C, Louise, Kerrie, Sasha, Nic F, Kevina

**Apologies:** Gemma, Michelle, Fran, Kate L, Sarah R, Dailia, Jenna, Hannah, Steph, Vikki, Laura S

### **1] Router**

The PTA contacted the school before the meeting and asked for assurance that if we commit to pay for it, the router will solve the current issue, given it was going to cost about a third of our funds. Faye updated the group with Mrs Cottee's (SC) update: 'The school has sorted this themselves and the children are already benefiting from it'.

### **2] Outside Litter bins**

Faye confirmed that the school had approached us to replace (and get an extra) playground bin. They included a link to a supplier they use. Pencil shaped/animal bins were in the region of £215 each. This was discussed amongst the group and found to be very expensive for a bin ("A bin's a bin"). Faye showed the group several cheaper options too but it was agreed that just a simple small wheelie bin would suffice (approx £50 each). It was suggested that the bins could be decorated by stickers chosen by the children. Mrs Fereday confirmed that the school cleaner must be able to bag it up easily.

**Faye/Gemma** to discuss if this is acceptable with SC and make the appropriate purchase.

### **3] Update on purchases**

- Faye advised that the school had requested the PTA to consider buying x 3 History Resource packs (approx £350 total) which had been agreed.
- Kevina updated the group on the gritting box. Thank you to Jason for arranging this.

#### **4] Update on the school allotment**

SC confirmed that this has been kindly sorted by the Round Table. The PTA confirmed that we are happy to buy some necessary plants, trees or tools for the children when the need arises.

#### **5] Handy Hands**

The need for activities for the older children is evident for future events. Ideas were discussed and lego/minecraft building (possible competition) was suggested. **Other ideas welcome.**

#### **6] Valentine's Day Disco - 14/02/2020**

Faye updated the group. Gemma has booked the DJ and a letter will go out next week. The event will be funded by the PTA but all children will be asked to bring food. SC confirmed that the Celebration Assembly (booked for the afternoon) has been moved to the morning so the DJ can set up for a 2.30pm start. **Faye** to organise letter.

#### **7] Pancake (Mon)Day - 24/02/2020**

Faye updated the group - as there is karate after school on a Tuesday, it is necessary to change our Pancake event to the Monday instead. This will take place after school with the option of buying a delicious crepe for £1 (with various yummy fillings). **Any help gratefully received please!**

#### **8] Mother's Day - 20/03/2020**

SC confirmed wrapping for presents can take place on Monday 9th March from 1.30-3pm. It was requested by the PTA that we get all the wrapping done on one afternoon to save valuable volunteer time. **Again, help would be appreciated.**

We discussed ways of including ALL children, and also ensuring that the PTA committee, also get looked after too. **Faye/Gemma** to ask SC about all the children helping to serve hot and cold drinks and plated food.

We have decided not to have sittings and will gauge setting up/layouts depending on numbers. There was also the suggestion to use Class 3 too if necessary. Again, discuss with SC.

Gemma confirmed that she has a £50 beauty voucher donated to the PTA. The suggestion was to add this to a hamper and sell raffle tickets (£2 or £5 per ticket?) at the event. It was suggested that the more attractive the hamper, the higher the ticket price so there is the suggestion to send Sasha/Sarah R out bargain hunting for appropriate things.

### **9] Further suggestions for purchases:**

- **Faye** will arrange for a PVC banner suitable to take to various school events - £100 approx
- Several people suggested a 2 Johns visit for the children. (SC advised that Mrs Rumsey is investigating linking up with our other cluster schools for a course that the parents can attend). It was noted unanimously that despite it being very expensive, it would be incredibly useful for ALL children to know the dangers of playing games online to ensure their safety. **Faye** to contact 2 Johns and update the group with costs.
- Faye/Sasha suggested some First Aid training for all the children - aged appropriate which was liked by the group. **Faye/Gemma** to chat to several parents to see if they can offer any suggestions of who could run the training and will also contact St John's ambulance to see if they can help.
- Books for the older children were suggested and agreed by SC. **Faye** will ask SC to ask the children for some suggestions. Also the possibility of more Beast Quest books in Class 2. **Faye** will speak with Mrs Greenberg.

### **10] 200 squares**

Faye confirmed that we have 24 bottles of wine very kindly donated by The Punch Bowl, High Easter. We will run a 200 squares and make two draws of 12 bottles around Easter time.

### **11] Summer Fayre**

**Faye/Gemma** to discuss with SC as to a date for this year's Summer Fayre. A non school uniform day in exchange for a bottle will also be arranged for this term.

### **12] PTA Notice Board in the Hall**

Faye advised that this needs repainting and a bit of TLC. **Faye** will find out if we have any blackboard paint left.

### **13] AOB**

Kerrie kindly offered to take care of the uniform sales again this year. It was agreed to leave it until the better weather and to go through what we have, remove what is old and won't sell and start a fresh around Easter.

**Thank you to all those involved for your continued support. x**

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