

PARK GROVE PTA MEETING 24th April 2018 - 7.00 pm at the Gillygate Pub

Attendees: Janet Jacobi (JJ), Mark Allison (MA), Claire Hollis (CH)

1. Apologies

Will Gardener, Clare Palmer

2. Funding Requests

We discussed about the money put aside for Ruth McCartney Moore (who is currently ill) and agreed that it was fine to reschedule payment for September and the money can be saved/put aside for then.

Theatre Project – The staff have indicated that they are considering a different creative experience for next year, which would likely include drama. The PTA have funded the Theatre Royal project for the last 4 years and are aware that it can get very repetitive for the children and look forward to any new funding propositions from the staff for other projects.

JJ described a theatre company she has seen that comes into school with a large domed tent which is all set up for a class of 30 to watch a fully animated performance (as one idea).

MA outlined a funding request from Vicky Hearson for more story sack items – we agreed on this.

Trips – We discussed that we haven't been approached as yet for any funding and agreed that we are willing to contribute once again once any trip ideas come through. We chatted about how a trip could possibly be arranged to support the world cup topic.

3. Upcoming Events

New starters evening 23rd May – could a member of the committee go to this and do a talk. JJ has visited in the past and is happy to oversee this but likewise, happy to hand it over if someone else wants to do it.

Spring Cake stall – Tuesday 22nd May

Bag2school – Friday 6th July

Summer Fair/Grovestock – Saturday 14th July

4. Grovestock

The planning is going well in all areas. JJ confirmed that the coffee man is all booked in.

MA explained that the license application has all gone in and there was a call from Sergeant Jackie Booth and a discussion with Claire Clarke about a) decanting drinks from bottles into plastic glasses and b) provision made for checking ID when selling alcohol. Both of these we do as a matter of course anyway.

Mark also discussed the conversation he had with CYC a few years ago about the noise issues with regards to Grovestock with it being an outside performance. MA highlighted once again that schools have special dispensations for events such as Grovestock and the protocol we followed last year worked well eg notifying neighbours.

Inflatables

JJ discussed the research she has done to date re: the cost v profit of inflatables and laser quest. We agreed to try out the laser quest idea and perhaps pre sell slots for teams to book?

We have Total Sports provisionally booked to bring their inflatable, but feel that with the profit we made last year, we could run our own again. However, we would need a firm commitment from volunteers and fence the middle section of the assault course. If no volunteers, then we deflate the inflatable to make a statement to everyone there.

JJ to research and book these items

Food

Fish and chips are all booked. CH suggested the idea of a Pizza Oven and perhaps getting businesses from the Fifth Quarter on board which we all thought was a great idea. 2 businesses on Gillygate have a pizza oven.

Raffle

We chatted about how this worked last year and who we approached. CH indicated she would be happy to oversee the raffle and gathering prizes and had some great ideas – once again considering including the fifth quarter.

JJ to provide the template letter and list of prizes from last year.

Junk Percussion

CH mentioned this idea and how she had seen it at another event and how good it was for the children to dip in and out of. CH will try and find out more info.

5. AOB

The minutes are now all up on the Park Grove website again

6. Future Meetings

Tuesday 22nd May – Do we need another meeting then?? TBC

Tuesday 26th June – Grovestock Planning

Tuesday 3rd July – Grovestock Planning

Tuesday 10th July – Grovestock Planning

Tuesday 13th July – Grovestock Prep in the Board Room