

PTA meeting minutes 27/1/22

Zoom: present-CP, LE, SH, CW, SB, EH, VH

2. Apologies

3. previous meetings actions

Lizzie touching base with someone about something

Adding clare as trustee, **CP to email Le re details required for account.**

Freezer turned off over xmas, all freezy Friday stuff gone. Honesty box n/a

No problems with xmas event re unaccompanied children etc, one entrance worked well with someone on the door

Bags to school: Sam- using a bin, company not keen on bin system. Bags to school continuing as usual?. CW suggesting wheelie bins as a solution for dragging bags upstairs. SH suggesting using a garden style lock up for bags to school.

VH to speak to Gary about logistics of garden ottoman

General logistics of getting clothes up and down tbc. Need to make sure the clothes are coming to school and making sure parents know we are an option. Push on info.

4. Accounts

Finance update.

LH screen shared finance spreadsheet,, breakdown of all profits. Food not as profitable but drew in footfall. Merch did well, drinks and cakes profitable. Halloween food profit margin better than xmas, bear in mind for next event, feedback great for xmas event and profit margins worth bearing in mind from fair pre covid and post covid.

Raffle profit of £1308, very little outgoings. Money made on parent pay. Money was upped this year from 50p to £1, difference negligible, suggested that people spent the same but bought less. Can we put extra tickets in the envelopes next year? We need a tombola spinner thingy.

Bake Off: surprising profits, do we think of something else? Could do Bake off in reality with cake stalls in Sept in school if allowed. Different prizes for categories- creativity, taste etc. Send sponsorship forms in bags?

Fundraising requests:

Previous.

Panto- raised ¾ costs through parent donations. VH school pleased with the pay as you feel system which hadn't been tried before. Seems to have worked given the result. Can we make sure the pay as

you feel is clearly communicated to parents of children in receipt of FSM. Few teething problems with initial format which may result in higher donations next time.

Can we get donation buckets at the next event.

EH unable to get a bank statement. CP raised issue of getting account online for ease.

EH to speak to SM regarding this

Current funding requests:

No funding requests currently from the school.

Leavers badges

Thermos flasks for events in school.

Current fundraising activity:

Event strategy- reduce plastic usage with ring your own cups or sell our own branded cups?

Company that does teddies also sell cups- CW to look into cups

Recycling bins at future events? Clean up strategy to be better and put into place regarding the time spent packing down.

Discussion regarding week night vs weekend event planning.

VH to speak to Bryony about an electronic sign up sheet via parent pay

Playground discussion:

Gary awaiting quotes from companies.

Fundraising for playground resurfacing needs to be all encompassing.

Resurfacing update- launch a full campaign with initial event? How long will it take.

VH to speak to staff regarding including the children in the playground fund and tying in the curriculum with the campaign. Will also speak to Ebor.

Visual of playground to map out Square meters as a fundraising 'Thermometer' SH?

LE to message regarding community champions/ Gas works

Crowdfunding and sponsorship ideas for parents, we are already on GoFundMe, LE to look into just giving.

Possibility of looking into grants and maybe set up a sub team to look into and research grants. SC has the lists and spreadsheets regarding this, need to speak to her about this another time.

Setting up a FB group to recruit volunteers for events and fundraising.

VH to put a google form together with bullet points:

'We need...' etc. PTA to get back to VH with the points.

Look into Wonderful.org

No definitive answer regarding indoor events at school. Thinking about an adult only event but need to wait for an answer

Meeting to be confirmed 1st or 2nd week March to discuss future events and sub comitees.

Summer fair ideas, possible move away from Grovestock towards a more family focused festival vibed event (Deer Shed) Setting up a specific team for the summer event.

Get Google form out to build a bigger team for the summer event. Start looking at dates, ask VH to begin discussions regarding dates with school.

March 10th for next meeting..