## Minutes from PTA meeting held on $10^{\text {th }}$ September 2019

Present: Clare Daniel, Susie Withington, Emily Titley, Gileng Sullivan, Saskia Howarth, Leanne Watson-Parke, Jane Gilchrist, Vicky Foster, Rachael Thomas, Caroline Kelf

Apologies: Jess Davidson, Belinda Walmsley , Rachael Kestemont, Leila Dahesh, Gayle Marshall \& Katie Humes

| Item / Discussion | ACTION |
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| Minutes to Previous Meeting |  |
| All agreed | No action |
| PTA Wish List |  |
| The PTA cover the costs for a variety of items including Science Week, Education |  |
| City licenses for all pupils, coaches for theatre trips and much more. This years' list |  |
| will be sent to all parents along with these minutes. A request from Clare Daniel was |  |
| made for extra items including a new piano for upstairs (for lessons) and resurfacing |  |
| outside of Class 1 \& 2. Quotes to be obtained |  |
| PTA Committee Roles |  |
| Chair - Susie Withington |  |
| Vice Chair - VACANCY (See below) |  |
| Treasurer - Gayle Marshall |  |
| Vice Treasurer - Jane Gilchrist (self-nominated at meeting) |  |
| Emily Titley - Publications Officer |  |
| Committee Funding Officers - Belinda Walmsley \& Jess Davison |  |
| Catering - VACANCY (see below) |  |
| Secretary (Day Meetings) - Caroline Kelf |  |
| Secretary (Evening Meetings) - Mike Tetlow |  |
| Class Reps |  |
| Class 1 - Leanne Watson-Parke \& Gileng Sullivan |  |
| Class 2 - Sarah French \& Belinda Walmsley |  |
| Class 3 - Jane Gilchrist \& VACANCY (see below) |  |
| Class 4 - Sophie Taylor \& Rachael Thomas |  |
| Class 5 - Fiona Toms \& Leila Dahesh |  |
| The committee currently has the following vacancies for this school year: |  |
| Vice Chair - This role would involve supporting the chair in decision making and |  |
| organisation of events. Attend the majority of PTA meetings and fill in for the chair if |  |
| he/she is unable to attend. |  |

Catering -This role would involve organising \& cooking the food for the Christmas fair and summer BBQ. (Obviously there will be a rota of volunteers to help for each event)

Class Rep Class 3 - since the meeting this has now been filled by Catherine Burton
Anyone wishing to support the committee with either of the above vacancies should liaise with Chair Susie Withington

## Events

How to involve as many parents as possible was discussed including a form to send out in bags prior to events with an option for parents to offer their time / assistance. Class reps being responsible for the smaller events was also discussed.

It was agreed that class reps will be responsible for the smaller events and a "Request for Support" form will be sent out in book bags prior to the larger events

Class Reps SW (Xmas Fair, Camp-Out Festival and School BBQ). See events page for Class Rep responsibility.

It was suggested that class reps set up a WhatsApp group to include all parents in
Class Reps their class to communicate about their individual event and to request support.

The food at the Summer BBQ was discussed as supermarket costs were less than what we paid for food last year. It was agreed that this will be reviewed prior to Summer BBQ and any other events involving food. It was also agreed that we will approach local businesses for food donations (Sainsbury's, Peter Herds etc.)

SW offered to organise liquor license for all events
Non Uniform Days historically have included a cake sale. The health of the children was raised and it has been agreed that class reps will decide what kind of sale they want to do. Smoothies, fruit sticks and healthier snack options were suggested as alternatives to cake and biscuit sales

## Fundraising

Lucky Lotto - to be sent out in book bags / on flyer every month and on social media

Clothes Bin - Instead of a Bag 2 School the committee is going to have a Clothes Bin
SW/CD/ET installed on the car park where the skip was. It will be available all year round for old clothes. It was suggested that we remind people of it regularly and to include where the clothes are going and the purpose of the bin

Swishing Event - Swap shop for old clothes suggested by Rachel Kestemont, Class 3. Jane Gilchrist interested in supporting the organisation. It was agreed that this will become a Class 3 event in 2020 - see Events Calendar for date

Pennies in a Bottle - every child fills a plastic bottle with coins. Competition between classes. Initially teachers will send home a request for used plastic bottles. Committee to label plastic bottles and send home with each child. To run for whole of school year. Collection at the end of each term

Recipe Book - Personalised PTA cookbook to include recipes from local businesses \& parents to include sections for meal type, dietary requirements etc. Emily Titley \& Saskia Howarth. volunteered to oversee this project and will approach other parents for support

Mother's Day / Father's Day Presents - we initially discussed this idea for Christmas presents. The idea being that the committee source small gifts for the children to purchase to take home to their loved ones already wrapped for Christmas Day. It was decided that this would be a lot of work for little return however we will revisit this again for Mother's Day \& Father's Day with simpler gifts like small bunches of flowers

Camp Out Festival - a mini festival on the school field in summer including overnight stay on field in tents (bring your own or hire one), bring your rackets and games, fire pit, BBQ, singing round the fire. See events calendar for date. RT to liaise with cubs re toilets.

Sponsored 100k walk - This will go ahead again in Summer 2020. More details to follow

Sponsored Obstacle Course / Mud Run - This idea was discussed as a fun morning for parents / kids to take part in in addition to the sponsored walk. VF to investigate further

Mum's Night - to take place in November and to include gifts for Christmas. Committee to organise at next meeting. It was agreed that Leanne Watson-Parke would have a Tropic Stall and will include a Hamper. Leila Dahesh will be approached to do a Neal's Yard stand. Vicky Foster will reconnect with 'Style of your Own' to obtain 20\% from last event and see if they want to promote at the next event. Emily Titley to contact chocolate and spirits company, Vicky Foster to contact Hilary Kerr for porcelain gifts and Park Lane for Jewellery

Dad's Night - to be organised by Dads, date to be confirmed (potentially April)

## Making Payments to the PTA

The way parents pay for events was raised at the meeting. The point was made that some parents don't have cash on the non-uniform days and it would be easier to pay for these in advance along with all other PTA jobs. CD mentioned that Wendy does a lot of extra admin for PTA events so an online booking system would be beneficial.

| SW \& GM to look in to PayPal and online payments. CK offered support | SW/GM |
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| AOB |  |
| None |  |
| Date of Next Meeting |  |
| Thursday 3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ October, Suburban Green, 7.45pm |  |


| Date | Event | Organised By |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Friday $18{ }^{\text {th }}$ October | Cinema Night | Class 1 |
| Friday 25 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ October | Non Uniform Day / After School Sale | Class 5 |
| Autumn Half Term i $25^{\text {th }}$ Oct, Date of Opening Tues $5^{\text {th }}$ Nov |  |  |
| Friday $15^{\text {th }}$ November | Mum's Night | Committee |
| Friday $13^{\text {th }}$ December | Non Uniform Day (no After School Sale) | Committee |
| Friday $13^{\text {th }}$ December | Xmas Fair | Committee |
| Christmas <br> Date of closing Wed $18^{\text {th }}$ Dec, Opening Mon $6^{\text {th }}$ Jan |  |  |
| Friday $17^{\text {th }}$ January | Cinema Night | Class 2 |
| Friday $7^{\text {th }}$ February | Disco | Class 4 |
| Friday 14 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ February | Non Uniform Day / After School Sale | Class 4 |
| Spring Half Termclosing Fri $14^{\text {th }}$ Feb, Date of Opening Mon $24^{\text {th }}$ Feb |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { March - Date TBC } \\ & \text { (w/c } 8^{\text {th }} \text { March) } \end{aligned}$ | Swishing Clothes Shop | Class 3 |
| Wednesday $25^{\text {th }}$ March | Music evening (Serving coffee) | Committee |
| Friday $27^{\text {th }}$ March | Non Uniform Day / After School Sale | Class 3 |
| EasterDate of closing Thurs 2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ Apr, Opening Mon $20^{\text {th }}$ Apr |  |  |
| April (Date TBC) | Dads Night | Dads |
| Friday $24^{\text {th }}$ April | Bingo Night | Class 5 |
| Friday 22 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ May | Non uniform Day / After School Sale | Class 2 |
| Summer Half Term Date of closing Fri $22^{\text {nd }}$ May, Date of Opening Tues $2^{\text {nd }}$ June |  |  |
| Friday $12^{\text {th }}$ June | Summer BBQ (reserve date $26{ }^{\text {th }}$ June) | Committee |
| Friday $26^{\text {th }}$ June | Reserve Summer BBQ Date | Committee |
| Friday $17^{\text {th }}$ July | Non uniform Day / After School Sale | Class 1 |
| Saturday $18{ }^{\text {th }}$ July | Camp Out Festival | Committee |

