



Minutes of PTA Meeting
Tuesday 11 October 2011

Present: Kate Allen (Chair), Ruth de Groot (Secretary), Peter Rose, Bineeta Patel, Bev King, Lynne Drury, Kirsty Gough, Sharon Clifton, Kathy Whayman, Jo Speller, Bev King, Gaye Lloyd, Jen Butcher

1. Apologies: Julia Wilson, Clare Mulvaney, Mel Docherty

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Accepted by: Bineeta Patel
Seconded: Kate Allen

3. Treasurers Report

The report was tabled.

4. Head Teachers Report

All sponsorship for the sports kits have come through. The idea has worked really well. Pete has written a letter of thanks to all sponsors. Pete asked for our thoughts on the latest individual photo's taken of the children as order numbers are down considerably from last year, only 30 orders have been received to date. Pete will also approach some other parents for their feedback. Parent consults next week. Pantomime has been booked – Jack and the Beanstalk. It will be on 13 December.

5. Chronicle Report/200 Club

Ruth held a draw for the 200 club on Mel's behalf

	October
£20	122 Alan Brittain
£10	30 Dawn Laverick-Brown
£10	36 Karen Whitehead

6. Christmas cards

The pictures to go on the cards have almost been completed by the children and will then proceed to the printing & distribution stage.

7. Able & Cole

No representative has come forward to take over. It has been decided that we will put this on hold and no further orders will be taken until someone is able to manage. Perhaps at the Craft Fair we could tout for interest in managing the project going forward. Lynne suggested perhaps we could offer a free bag of fruit or vegetables per month to the person that would take it onboard. All agreed this was a good incentive.

8. Craft Fair

The subcommittee minutes of the meeting held this week have been distributed. Bineeta suggested the tombola pricing be revisited and it was agreed that it would now cost 20p/ticket or 6 for £1. We need to ensure that NO other stalls at the Craft Fair are running their own tombola this year. Those attending the meeting will act as the 'class representative' to be given the responsibility to sign up parents in their year to help in some way on the day. The school Christmas tree is available and can go up in the grotto area. It was discussed and decided that due to the restrictions surrounding the liquor license that we would not have alcoholic mulled wine, it will be left up to the sub-committee as to the option of having non-alcoholic mulled wine available for sale. Could there be a mulled wine/Christmas fragrance that we could use to give an 'atmosphere' within the hall/rooms. Sub committee to look into. The 24th of November 2012 is confirmed for the Craft Fair next year.

9. Kids on the Catwalk update

Kids on the Catwalk was poorly attended – however a profit of £146.72 was raised. If we do have another event next year we need to book early and secure a date closer to Christmas. If the event is promoted well it could be more profitable. This would therefore require someone to form a subcommittee and arrange. We still require someone to come forward to do this.

AOB

Quiz Night

A profit of £104.59 was raised. Jo Speller raised the point that this function needs to be booked well in advance due to its popularity. Could we therefore include two bookings a year at the same time as deciding on other major fund raisers (ie Fete). Will need to check with Paul Docherty regarding his availability.

Yellow Moon

Kirsty has said she will look after the orders for a time and see how it goes. Lynne will help where needed. Kirsty will have the brochures in the book bags asap.

Christmas Gifts for Classes

It was agreed that we would give each year group the same amount as last year (£30.00) to purchase a class Christmas gift. Pete will go to teachers now and advise that they have to buy and wrap the gift and have back to him before the end of the year.

Pamper Evening

Sharon confirmed she is happy to oversee the event. She will arrange for a subcommittee meeting in perhaps January with the possibility of an April, May or June Pamper Evening.

Fun Run

23 March 2012 - to coincide with Sports Relief. Gaye to start the sub-committee ball rolling with Anne Clark and Miss Weston. There is still the possibility of contacting another school to join in.

Class Representatives

There was an 'around the table' discussion regarding appointing a Parent Class Representative. This person would be the spokesperson for the class reporting to the PTA meeting, or passing on a report to the PTA meeting should they not attend. An example being that as the Cross Country event is for Years 5 and 6 then it would be up to a committee of those parents to arrange. Another example was that as Kerry Jeggo arranged the Race Night, perhaps that could be assigned to Year 2 (Kerry's daughter is currently in this class) and that group of parents could arrange. The following year it would be the responsibility of the incoming Year 2 parents. NB: Bev King will contact Kerry Jeggo to book in another Race Night if she is interested/able. This idea, if supported, would assist with the 'succession plan' idea that we have been talking about recently. Bev suggested perhaps have another coffee morning for Nursery and Reception parents after drop off; the following week a Year 1 parents meeting etc just to get more people interested and committed. We do not want to be left with a situation where the same parents are always organising events. Food for thought and a decision will need to be made at the following meeting.

Meeting closed at 9.02 pm.

Next meeting will be on 8 November 2011 at 7.30pm.

Signed: _____