

PTA Minutes

Tuesday 13th July 2021 (Zoom)

Attendees:

Lizzi Hodgkinson
Julie Fernandes-Tansley
Paula Sides
Mrs Stray
Gizem Erdem
Jenni Malcolm
Helen Page
Sophie Ashcroft
Marta Skotnicka
Susie Williams
Karen Goodfellow
Nadeene Stewart
Julia Milligan
Reena Chibber
Sam Busher
Nicole Ho

Apologies:

Amy Leary
Heather Birt
Ayanna Rezulska
Ana Martins
Ann Hopkins

Approval of minutes

Nothing outstanding, no objections

100 Club:

June Draw

- First 65
- Second 117

July Draw

- First 90
- Second 13

Events Round Up:

Nearly New Sale (16 June)

- A lot of uniform was donated by parents/carers. Sorted at school and sale held in playground. £176.05 was raised. Julie managed to recycle/give away the uniform we didn't choose to store.

Lolly sale

- £100 raised – lovely sunny day for it. Almost sold out (bought 272 and sold approx. 250).

Hannah Session prints

- Batch of 25 purchased and 16 were sold, making £80 profit thus far. 9 prints left with 5 extra ones printed by Hannah, can look to be sold to next year's Y6 parents or as a parting gift for anyone leaving the school.

Tote bags

- All handed out last week. 330 were sold making a profit of £797 (£825 before cost of postage etc). Parents were very happy with size of bags and design. If we were to organise again, it may be nice to offer both tote bags and tea towels (if they don't run out of tea towels next time!).

Summer Raffle tickets

- Made £1352

Apple – Lockie from Apple

Lime – Claire Douglas from Forest

Aqua – Ally Turnbull from Gold

Sky – Claire Nash from Saffron/Amethyst

Crimson – Karen Francis

Scarlet – Tessa from Lime

Amber – Sarah Wright from Lime

Vermillion – Rita Atkinson from Scarlet

Saffron – Alex Brown from Sky

Gold – Karen Adams from Aqua/Saffron

Sage – Joanna Connor from Scarlet

Forest – Zoe from Scarlet

Magenta – Claire Douglas from Forest (subsequent to meeting Claire kindly allowed a redraw to allow someone else to win a prize)

Amethyst – John Evans from Scarlet

- Harder work this time but thank you to class reps for pulling this together. Hopefully won't have to do this type of raffle too often, still difficult to get/ask for prizes from local businesses in current climate. A number of collections/outgoings (tote bags/class collections/class photos/etc) were also happening around the same time which perhaps made parents less inclined to donate (even though we normally ask for bottle donations and offered a non-uniform day in return). Some classes were also isolating so difficult to get raffle ticket stubs back to school. Paula suggested moving the purchase of raffle tickets to an online system. She has liaised with contact from pta.co.uk and has passed relevant information to Lizzi. There was a show of hands and it was agreed at the meeting that we will look at using the online system for the next raffle at Christmas. There was some concern that without paper

tickets arriving home in book bags, some parents may not get round to buying tickets/may buy fewer, but we thought it worth experimenting to see how the uptake compares.

Upcoming events:

Y6 disco on Friday

- DJ Mole all sorted. Party clothes on Friday for Y6. Leavers' hoodies will be on back of their chairs when they come in on Friday. Prizes for DJ to hand out.
- Learning point – should highlight to subsequent years that subsidy from PTA is only for one hoodie if decision is to use subsidy for hoodies again. £10/head from PTA in previous years have been used for an experience/leavers trip which Y6 parents may wish to consider again circumstances permitting.
- Julie has very kindly used the leftovers from Easter to make up treat bags for Y6.

100 club

- Last draw for this academic year has now taken place. £1380 raised for school this year. Will look to advertise and sell new numbers in September newsletter for first draw in October.

Launch of school book list

- Use Easyfunding money to buy books for school.
- Books on the Hill is still happy to work with us and will give us a 25% discount on each book. School will get book list together which will be advertised in October. Parents can also buy any books directly if they wish. Lizzi will check with Books on the Hill on how list is to be collated, whether just list in email or directly via site.

Christmas cards

- Registered already so as to receive early bird discount. 1st October for pictures for cards!

Ideas going forward:

- New parents have not had chance to get to know each other – Welcome Coffee Morning for this year's Reception and new year's Reception parents in September. Friday 10th September currently pencilled in. (Chance to get some new blood for PTA!) 1 or 2 coffee morning for first term, maybe dropping down to 1 per term subsequently.
- Cake Sale
- NNS with Coffee Morning
- Halloween disco 21st October for Y4-6. Discussed how it was quite chaotic holding two discos in one night so may be best to limit it to one. Autumn film night for Reception to Y3. Swap round for spring i.e. Spring Disco for Reception to Y3, and film night for Y4-6.
- Odyssey takeover Monday 1st November (inset day). Sophie to get in contact with Suzy for Odyssey contact or start afresh. Share with another school for upstairs seating.

- Organise treat day for Crazy Hair Day collection? Will see how things go, may not need to organise this during school time if we can organise traditional PTA events for the children instead.
- Any other new ideas as we're breaking with tradition? Please share.

AOB:

- Gizem is now helping with social media for school/PTA. Should we set up PTA Instagram? – handle is saved for us.
- Fans bought for school recently from PTA, very welcomed by the school.
- Cash back schemes/easyFundraising to be advertised over summer.
- Bradford and Howley sponsorship money still in pot, will look to use for autumn term.
- 128 trees planted so far, thanks to donation from PTA. This is more than 2 years gas usage offset in 14 months. Will the tree scheme continue? Sam raised point whether we should just continue with the tree planting to set off our school's carbon footprint or some other ideas from the children. Mrs Boothy is keen to restart the Eco Committee in September. Lizzi to speak to Mrs Boothy regarding whether they would like each Eco Rep representing their class to bring forward ideas on how to use a donation from the PTA.
- Club excel – donated £100 voucher, will look to maybe use silent auction for this in autumn term.
- Quiz Night in autumn term – (Mike as new host?)
- Comedy Night in spring term

Date of next meeting: Thursday 16 September (Zoom or in person?)