

PTA Meeting 19th May 2022

Attendees

Danielle Brawn
Hazel Eccles
Amy Leary
Lizzi Hodgkinson
Gilly Stray
Richard and Erika Brown
Nicole Ho
Julia Milligan
Rob Crick
Roxanne Barrett
Kate Davis
Jenni Malcolm
Miriam Ramirez
Karen Francis
Helen Page
Julie F-T
Ayanna Rezulska

Apologies

Marta Skotnicka
Lucy Cooper

100 Club

April draw:

11 – 1st prize
76 – 2nd prize

May draw:

58 – 1st prize – Danielle – happy to return funds to the PTA
69 – 2nd prize

Events roundup

Film night Y4-6 – theatre worked well, nice not to be in bubbles again. Less uptake from Year 6, maybe too old? Majority were Y4 and 5. Agreed that maybe in future could be PG, parents giving consent for this by signing permission slip. Some technical issues, Mr Roberts

sound system helped a lot, worth making sure this is on hand. Notes have been updated (on drive). £249 raised.

Coffee morning – worked well with NNS items, people did come in and buy. Need to make sure people sign in when they arrive. Lucy handing out flyers which was good opportunity to promote different things. £47 sales on uniform, shop now at £281 since it opened.

Upcoming events

Bake sale – next Friday. Marta taking the lead, a few volunteers have come in, 5 now – should be enough. Mrs Stray to run through logistics with Marta, no storage for perishable items (no fresh cream etc).

Summer disco – R and Y1. Need volunteers, call out coming soon. Same theme as last one, worked well. Already have most of the materials, need black out on the windows to make the most of the neon lights. Find suitable sweets.

Quiz night - Thursday 23rd June – Rob is leading this. Progressing well, fish and chips. Tables of 8. Last time was 10 teams of 8, need to consider if this is max capacity – 12 tables at a push. Pilates is in the hall, until 9pm. Dining room ok. Would love a team of teachers. Teams capped at 8 people.

Summer fair - 9th July

Good progress since the last meeting. Karen and Claire great at sharing knowledge and experience from previous fairs. Still short on volunteers on certain areas.

For the bar, Julia asked plan for buying drinks. Previously Pimms and beer, plus soft drinks. Could use easyfundraising to do Sainsburys shop. Beers previously sourced from Farr brewery (keg). Karen to write up notes for refreshment stall, will pass to Julia. All bits ordered from Ocado in the past, delivery on morning of the fair. Whatsapp group for the bar will be set up. Quantities. Need lots of ice. Often something runs out, need to do run to Tesco. White Lion have offered certain quantity of beer. Worth asking B&H if they'd like to run the BBQ? Julie will ask.

Additional volunteers – volunteer request into staffroom? Might be able to cover entrance, token sales etc? List to Mrs Stray with volunteers required and times needed and she'll ask staff.

Class stalls – should be a lead within the class to plan the rota, each class will have a PTA rep to ask questions to. Some parents will want to work on more than one stall if they have children in different classes, need uniformity in timings across all stalls. Lizzi raised the point that if the Orchestra and band are playing – there may not be anyone to man the stall during these events - need to know when the performances are happening. It has been suggested orchestra to move to September but year 6 will have left by then. May need to find a compromise, just Year 6 to play at the summer fair perhaps?

Nail bar – at Christmas fair, was strong smell. Outside should be better. People donated nail varnishes they no longer want. Quick dry spray – Danielle thinks she has some.

May get more volunteers once they know how much time is needed for performances etc.

Currently looking for planning volunteers, on the day will come later.

Already started advertising for stalls where we need extra help, eg BBQ. Not just designated class. Also need first aiders.

Need a slot for the tidy up at the end. 2-3pm slot covers 30 mins of tidy up.

Catering company that does school lunches – different section of the company. Might be able to provide BBQ – Mrs Stray to speak to them. Smoothie bike option??

Keg of beer – need to order quite early. Farr Brewery – can they install? White Lion to help?

Entertainment

- Street dance lined up
- Miss Dore – can we do something just with year 6?
- 2 dads playing
- Sophie's dad from the Kinks
- Check gazebo situation for musicians

Raffle

- Lucy has been working really hard, lots of prizes and donations from parents in lots of classes.
- Huge thank yous to everyone
- Raffle tickets online like last time. Sell 2 weeks before, draw on evening of fair.

Wish list and finances

Planning to change bank accounts, Metro very slow at switching over signatories. Still no internet banking, £50 in fees – now monthly charge. All in all, going to change bank accounts to Lloyds.

Football kits and netball kits still on wish list.

Air conditioning – Mrs Stray confirmed that governors have agreed we can go ahead. Successful in bid to replace whole roof. With that, decision has been made to delay installation of air con until roof works finished, then they can be fitted on to new roof. Quote £30k in total. Going to delay for a year or so. If PTA still able to support, could go 50/50. Good to have a year to fundraise. Have to go ahead with project now been given the grant, should be summer holidays and into autumn term. Could have a totaliser to keep track of money being raised for air con, good to promote in summer term when it is more relevant.

Library furniture – just need to place the order. Mrs Stray can sort – will remind Helen of costs.

Easyfundraising

Please keep using and mention to everyone. Holidays in particular can raise a lot of money. Orders for BBQ etc.

A new order of books has gone through with the second lot of funds, another £250 to be spent.

Last post in March, Lizzi will send out a reminder, especially regarding holidays.

Tick the box on easyfundraising to get even more now we're a charity. Any fundraising publications we need to publish the charity number, legal requirement.

AOB

- Match funding may be easier now registered charity. Would be good for someone to promote and push this.
- Amy to stand down as secretary in July – anyone who might be interested invited to step forward, spread the word.
- Transition day – July 14th. New parents come in, 9.15. Mrs Stray asked if someone from the uniform shop (Amy) can come in and show the offering, also someone from the PTA (Danielle or Hazel?) to talk about what we do. Link to uniform shop and blurb going out in pack to new starters.
- Zoom – free calls ending in July, consensus was that everyone was happy to click on the link again after 40 mins rather than paying for the premium service