

ACS PTA Meeting – 6th March 2019

Attendees - Julia Milligan, Lizzi Hodgkinson, Nadeene Stewart, Mrs Stray, Miss Jackson, Angela Skinner, Suzy Hope, Claire Toms, Nicole Ho, Angela Skinner, Sophie Ashcroft, Sophie Attree, Amy Leary, Karen Francis, Richard Brown

Apologies - Katharine Rhodes, Tracy Mehmet, Irina Crick, Dorota Hrstic, Julie Fernandes-Tansley, Carly Dawes, Kati, Annie Horne, Tina Batchelor

Approval of last month's minutes – everyone was happy with last month's minutes

Carried Over:

Camp Out – to be kept on hold until next year, when there will hopefully be somebody willing to take it forward

Card Machines – to be kept on hold until next year, although Julia has been doing some research into fees etc and considering whether it would be worth trialling at an event

Charitable Status – Mrs Stapleton is looking into gift aid. The PTA cannot claim back gift aid; only direct donations to the school. Sophie Attree advised there are lots of hoops to jump through to gain charitable status

Herts for Refugees – they are in need of warm winter coats, hats, gloves and scarves. Agreed that we would ask for donations to be made at the same time as donations for the nearly new sale.

Draw for 200 Club

March: the first number was 24, and the second number was 41.

February: the first number was 52 and the second number was 7.

Event Round Up:

Comedy Night – 8/2

- Very enjoyable evening
- Sold around 60 tickets, making £449 profit (the majority from bar sales and from the 50/50 raffle as a parent kindly donated the winning half to the PTA)
- Perhaps run every 18 months?

Valentine's Bake Sale – 14/2

- Perfect amount of donations, raising £208

Upcoming events:

Year 2 – 6 Film Night – 5.30 ‘til 7pm Friday 15th March

Lego Movie for all age groups. Suggest wear PJs

Nearly New Sale – 27th & 28th March (donations 25th and 26th)

Phase 1 Spring Disco – 29th March at 5.30 ‘til 6.30pm

DJ booked, snacks to be provided, water bottles to be used, colouring

Gin Tasting Evening – 10 or 17 May

To be held at Waddington Road Café – Karen Francis to liaise with them to finalise date. £15 per ticket?

Odyssey Take Over – pencilled in by the Odyssey for next inset.

- Need to choose film – U rating

Summer Fair – 29 June

- Need to firm up a sponsor – Claire to follow up with Bradford & Howley again

Theatre Fundraising campaign

Need team to sort out PTA stuff in basement – Angela to take a look at the technology and Karen offered to help with the other stuff. Ayanna kindly offered to look into the cost of storage during renovations and before the outside storage cupboard available for the PTA to use

Need to create a totaliser to put on display so parents can visualise our target etc. Could ask people to sponsor a theatre seat (£130?) and install a board with donors' names. Could apply to Arts Council for a grant?

International Week at school

Approved donation of £600 to cover Brazilian dance/martial arts class

Any other Business:

- Sunday 9th June – marshalling at the Half Marathon – volunteers across the school being sought
- Possible Ball in Autumn – Richard to ask at the golf club
- First Aid course so more PTA members can act as the first aider at events. Ayanna kindly agreed to look into the cost of this too

NEXT MEETING - Thursday 25th April 2019 – everybody welcome