

PTA meeting 21st May 2019

PRESENT

Tracy, Sophie Tanya, Gina, Tim, Ros

APOLOGIES

Alyson, Marie, Becca, Kate, Sarah

Facebook

Sophie has asked if it would be okay to place something on the PTA bell section about Facebook. Just to say that we have a new page for information and where it can be found. Tim agreed this and Tracy will place this in the Bell.

Governors Meeting

Tanya went along to this on her own and felt that it went well. She mentioned to the governors that we need assistance in getting a grant to assist us to pay for the play equipment. Sarah Fishbourne and Jake Herbst have kindly said that they would assist with the grants as they have had experience. The governors are to agree on an appropriate item for the playground and advise us on what money we need to raise.

Tanya mentioned that we were donated a freezer last year and we are not able to use it as it needs to be PAT tested. Tim was able to confirm that this is due very shortly as it is done annually.

Ros mentioned that she knew someone who could possibly give us a quote for a playground and has agreed to give him a ring.

Sophie suggested that maybe the children could design something they would like in the playground and the governors could choose the most suitable and get a quote from there.

Tanya volunteered to do a form for the children's playground designs and was hoping to get it out before the end of half term.

New parent Evening – 5th June 6pm

Tanya, Sophie and potentially Gina will represent the PTA at this meeting. Tanya and Gina are compiling something to hand out. Sophie also hopes to sell the second hand uniforms.

Sports Day – 11th June

Strawberries and cream have been donated so this will go ahead. It was suggested that perhaps we should offer Tea and Coffee (and Cakes). We were undecided at the time. This will be discussed again at the next meeting. It was felt that Tanya would be able to put a lottery stand at the sports day, to try and get more parents/grandparents to sign up.

*Preschool Graduation Gift

Tim mentioned that Preschool is going to fundraise for their graduation separately and that he is supporting them. The members felt that they were happy with this.

It was felt, however, that as the PTA pay for other things for KS1 & 2, like bus trip and ice creams, that the Preschool should be entitled to that same amount on a pro-rata basis. This will be a monetary value that Preschool can use as they see fit.

Treasurer position

As the current treasurer will be leaving the PTA at the end of this term, Gina mentioned that there is an urgent need to find a suitable replacement. She said that she knew of someone who maybe happy to take on this role. It was agreed that we would be happy if we could find someone to take on this vital role, we should go ahead. Gina would liaise with Sarah. The PTA would like to thank Sarah for all her hard work in this role over the years.

Disco

These are relatively easy to organize, however some issues arose after the last one and we felt that they need to be addressed.

- As a parent complained that their child was injured during the KS1 disco, that we should have extra supervision for the children in the Hall.
- It was decided that parents who had children in preschool should be asked to stay. Otherwise staff or the PTA would supervise all other children. It was suggested that perhaps we run a crèche for children who had to stay for both discos.

Tracy was asked to mention these points on the PTA Bell section.

PTA WhatsApp Group

Sophie has suggested that from now on in order to aid with the decision making, that she will contact the members of the group privately and get them to vote on a particular point and then advise the decision. Under no circumstances should these potential decisions, be discussed with parents or children outside of the committee group.

PTA Constitution

It has become clear that this needs to be looked at as a lot of the committee members haven't seen it. It is also possibly out of date with regarding things like GDPA's. Tanya has said that she would locate it and have a look at it. Tim wondered if there was anything in the constitution that states a committee member of the PTA needs to be a parent.

A O B

Pond Area – could the school use this more. There is a website called Twinkl that apparently has loads of activities that can be done in the forest area. Tim has agreed to talk to the teachers.

Annual amounts

Sophie felt that it would be a good idea to compile a list of things that the PTA pay for yearly and would look at compiling something. At the moment there are the following things paid for: -

- Year 6 surprise trip – bus
- KS1 & 2 ice creams at the theatre productions at the end of the year.
- KS1 & 2 ice creams at the film festival

Meeting closed at 3 pm. Next proposed meeting Wednesday 5th June at 1.30pm in the school