

PTA MEETING: 05/05/22 New Mill

Attendees: Jenna, Lisa, Kelly, Jess, Tracy & Claire

Apologies: Sam

- 1) Year 6 leavers – school asked if PTA could fund the ice cream van for the Year 6 Leavers event. Amount between £65-£100. All agreed.
- 2) Ink Cartridges- Tracy said it was going slowly, not very many have been placed in the box in reception. Ideas to promote it a bit more via PTA/School Facebook sites & in the school newsletter PTA section. With this on topic, also need to find out when the newsletter gets published
- 3) Easter Raffle- an overall triumph, PTA managed to raise £1440.00. All in agreement that this should be something to do again.
- 4) New starters information pack- PTA would like to see what is in the pack in regards to the PTA and maybe look into updating it. PTA would like to add more information in it, explaining a bit more what we do and give examples of previous events we have done to try and encourage new members. **Lisa to chase this up.**
- 5) T-towels – discussed putting the remaining towels we have back up for sale to see if we can get sell the remaining ones we have. Years 5/6 only have 16 left but years 1/2 and 3/4 have about 50 of each left. PTA discussed that these were very successful, although slightly ordered too many for the middle year groups. The idea was put forward to try pre orders next time so we know exactly how many we need to order. Price also needs to increase next time as well so PTA could make a profit rather than just about break even.
- 6) Secretary – Jess volunteered for the role of PTA secretary.
- 7) Second hand uniform- decided this was something that we did not want to continue. It's a lot of work for very little money. Any remainder of uniform has been recycled and any branded uniform or uniform in excellent condition will be listed for free on the local marketing sites on Facebook. **Tracy to tell office not to accept anymore donations.**
- 8) Community grants – Tesco's and Asda are needing local charities to give their community grants too. Kelly looked into the Tesco one but they required a lot of information. Kelly also applied for the Asda one but so far no response.. **Kelly to get more information about the Tesco one and chase up Asda about the other one**
- 9) Break the rules day – 27th of May PTA would like the school to put on another break the rules day Wanted to reuse the poster that Kelly sourced for the previous break the rules day. **Tracy to see the office about the date.**
- 10) School Disco – organise an end of the year disco for all year groups. Dates considered were the 15th or 22nd of July. Idea for reception and KS1 to have the 6-7 time slot and KS2 7.15 -8.30. Need to look into permission forms. Things that need to be arranged are:
 - DJ BOOKING **Kelly & possibly Lisa have Contacts. Once date confirmed, both will contact them**

- Bookers – Tuck shop needed, also the sale of glow sticks was discussed.
 - Raffle- previous discos have had raffles as well but it was thought that maybe this wasn't needed as the thought was the children wouldn't there party time interrupted by a raffle draw.
 - Permission forms/numbers of staff – need to find out how many parents/staff to children is needed to put on the event.
- 11) Advertising the PTA – discussed that more advertising of the PTA was needed. Need to tell school so that a ParentMail can go out about the time and dates of our future meetings. Facebook page has been receiving more traffic since posting more regularly but more needs to be done in order to enhance our profile. Point of contact is still needed although Mr Blackmore seems quite happy with us contacting him directly. We need the teachers to tell us what they need or want from the PTA. A teacher representative is need at each of our meetings. Discussed whether having an actual chairperson for the PTA but it was decided that we liked working as a community rather have all the responsibility on one persons shoulders. Idea was made to keep an official record of our meetings, a records book to contain the minutes from previous meets and bought to each meet so we can refer back if needed to. **Jess to start record book and bring it to next meeting.**
- Also dates need to be sorted out roughly a year in advance so we have a rough calendar going forward for all the events we want to do. The group feel that more information is needed to get our parents and school to let them know what we actually do and to try and get more volunteers.
- 12) Gifted trees – need planting. **Tracy to promote Mr Blackmore about them.**
- 13) Tuck Shop – Tracy asked if we were going to start up the tuck shop again. Discussion was had to whether it would be possible to do with our small numbers. The last time it was done, it took a while to bag up all the bags of pic a mix and used to run on a Friday afternoon between 2.45-3.30. Suggestion was made to perhaps make the products simpler so not too time consuming to set up. Jess/Tracy/Jen volunteered to run it on a rota basis. With the idea of a trial run during the summer term to see how it is received by everyone. **Tracy to ask Mr Blackmore about it.**
- 14) Mrs Bimson- Jess enquired about Mrs Bimsons efforts for raising money for the PTA to fund the sunshade at the back of the school. PTA want to buy a plaque for when the sunshade does eventually get enough funding to be bought, to thank Mrs Bimson for her incredible effort and fundraising for us.
- 15) Sunshade – a question was raised about the possibility of having a specific thing the PTA are fundraising for. The school is in desperate need of the sunshade at the back of the school. Mr Blackmore has also mentioned he'd love an outdoor classroom eventually built. **Tracy to ask what specific thing would be a good item to fundraiser for.**
- 16) Christmas – brief discussion about Christmas was had. Mentioning the possibility of organising a Christmas Faye and having a Christmas grotto there. Also putting on a school disco and maybe bring back the hampers for a Christmas raffle but this time make them Christmassy themed. **Tracy to ask Me Blackmore.**

Next meeting – 9th June New Mill.

