

The West Monkton School PTA meeting
on the 6th of March from 7.30pm at the Bathpool Inn.

Minutes

- 1. Attended:** Hayley, Suze, Sara, Katie, Irene, Jess, Jenna and Claire E
Apologies: Michelle, Lisa S, Lisa L, Claire M and Amy
- 2. Crazy Hair Day** – Friday the 13th, collections on the morning of the event, Claire M to take donations back to hers to make into hampers on the 24th March.
- 3. Bingo** – ordered more bingo books and pens. Will push the event more after Crazy Hair day. Will post photos of finished hampers to try and boost ticket sales. Group decided to run a colouring/design an egg competition to give the children something thing to do if they get a little board of the bingo game. **Jess to source colouring/design sheets.**
- 4. Disco** – no updates, all in hand.
- 5. Colour Run** – school still haven't got back to us on the date change, so it was voted to postpone it. **Claire E to try and get an answer from the school if they are happy for us to run the event and whether we can do it in the summer instead. Jess to tell school to remove it from school diary.**
- 6. Blackbrook meeting** – Claire E meet with Chair of Blackbrook. Both shared ways each PTA raise money. A pop-up shop idea proved popular over at Blackbrook so would like to try this idea out at Christmas – 'Elf-ridges'. They also do a summer festival rather than a fayre and an Easter egg hunt.

7. **Playground equipment** – Suze spoke to Monkton Elm Garden Centre about the possibility of using some of their old playground equipment and repurposing it in our school's playground. Need to find out from Jack (Trust Facilities Manager) to see if this could be something that could be done.

8. **AOB**

Scavenger hunt – as we've now postponed the colour run, we discussed the idea of running a scavenger hunt through the may half term instead. Scavenger sheets can be given out before the children break up and then they can do the hunt at some point during the half term. They can then bring back their forms with their entry money (£1?) and then we can draw the winners. **Group to talk more on this at the next meeting.**

Go Henry – Go Henry, the kids payment card company, are doing a special offer at the moment for PTA's to sign up to their scheme and promote it, they'll give the PTA £25 per customer who signs up for 28 days. **Katie to look into/sign up to this.**

£100 class donations – Claire ordered and sorted all the items on the class lists over half term. These have now all been delivered to all the teachers. A few photos were taken of some of the PTA members handing the items over to the various classes. Photos to be shared on socials.

Christmas Cards – need to get this all in hand before school ends in July so that when the children can go back in September, we can start them on their designs straight away so that they can be sent away in plenty of time before Christmas.

Next meeting: **24th April, Bathpool Inn, 7.30pm**

Monthly Friday meetings at the Bathpool Inn, 7.30:

- 24th April
- 15th May
- 12th June
- 10th July

School events booked:

- 13th March – Crazy Hair Day (Easter bingo donations)
- 20th March – School Disco
- 27th March – Easter Bingo
- 7th May – Colour Run
- 20th June – Summer Fayre
- 17th July – School Disco