

Minutes of the Deerhurst and Apperley PTFA Meeting

25 February 2019

Present

Jenny Litchfield, Vicky Pearce, Rachel Hoarau, Kathryn Witney, Sam Butler,
Xenia Crawford

Apologies

Mrs Neveu, Wendy MacKenzie

1. Finance Report Feedback

The current balance in the PTFA account is £654.18.

The PTFA have donated £2000 to school funds, which will be used to help fund the skate park in the school playground.

The PTFA still aim to raise a total of £4000 in this academic year.

Rachel Hoarau said that Lloyds Bank would do matched funding of £500. It was suggested that more organisations may be able to do matched funding. Kathryn Witney/ Sam Butler have previously written a letter about this should be checked and adapted for D&A parents. It was suggested that having this on the facebook page would be important (Kathryn to post).

The roller disco

The roller disco was a big success. It raised £335.90. It was thought this should become an annual event. With advanced planning a date that doesn't conflict with half term could generate higher income. February was considered a good month to hold the disco. However the hall requires earlier booking in order to avoid half term weekends. Advertising it in the school calendar in advance should also increase attendance. Once a date is fixed Mrs Mottram will add to newsletters and calendar. (JL to confirm).

Price of tickets to be looked at presale and price on door, maybe family tickets. The disco could be improved with the lady running the disco being put to better use instructing the young children, rather than fitting boots. Instead parent volunteers could fit the boots. Having the young children group was worthwhile.

After school club

The after school clubs have been an effective and fairly simple way of generating school funds. The first one this term raised £102.50 and the second raised £103. The recent cost increased was considered to be appropriate and should be retained.

Asking for volunteers to sign up has been effective in generating volunteers and informing people better about what help is needed.

Online banking was also discussed KW to look into.

2. Planned Events for March 2019 and beyond

After School Clubs.

There are enough volunteers now for 8th of March, and RH will lead from the PTFA. JL to notify helpers and arrange shopping. KW to provide games/activities.

There are further after school clubs planned for the summer term.

Friday 26th April

Thursday 23rd May Disco (already booked)

Ice cream Fridays TBC Wendy happy to assist.

Chocolate Tombola

The chocolate donated on 1st of March will go towards the chocolate Tombola on the 5th of April held after the school assembly. Attention needs to be given that some children don't buy a disproportionately large amount of tickets. Furthermore, that younger children are able to get to the stall.

Tickets were agreed to be sold 3 for £1. The Christmas tombola raised over £100 so this is a good income generator.

Bingo night

SB has booked the village hall for the 23rd of March and the Bingo host. This will be a combined event with Little Deers. Prizes are still required. JL is happy to send a letter out asking for prizes.

Village Easter Egg Hunt

TBC

Swishing event.

This is a party where women bring clothes, shoes or accessories, to swap with other women. At some point a fee is paid for the items collected. This could best be done before rags to riches collections so that women are thinking about what to get rid of, and also left over clothes can be donated to rags to riches.

Scarecrow Festival -June TBC

Stall at Village Fete - 14th July this could be an opportunity for the auction of promises?

Car Wash- September TBC

Big Breakfast-Summer holidays

Wreath Making/ Christmas event-December TBC

3. School Requests

The timing of school requests for fund raising was raised. School requests are often made in September. It was suggested that an alternative or additional time could be in February, half-way through the school year. This would serve as an incentive for the PTFA/parents to work towards for the next half of the year. Currently new ideas are needed anyway as the skate park funding has been achieved.

Mrs Neveu has requested donation of funds towards basic school resources such as glue sticks, white boards, and white board pens, it is suggested this costs £200 per class at the start of the academic year.

Support for a school trip such as Nature in Art in the Summer Term.

4. Other Matters

Next meeting will be at school at 2.45 on 29th April