



PTA Meetings – Held on 27 April and 1 May 2018

Present: Jaime Lockyer
Kathryn Grant
Sally Tall
Jade Webb
Sarah Osborne
Mandy Kennedy
Leigh Shepherd
Ellie Lewis
Plus a small number of other parents

Item 1 – Overview

We discussed what the PTA does and where we spend our money on.

We try to run fun and interesting fundraising events for the school in order to raise money. These include movie nights, summer fete, Christmas bazaar, sports day refreshments, ice cream Fridays (summer term), Mother's Day sale, Father's Day sale, and so much more.

All of the money raised goes straight back into the school. Areas we raised money for last year were whiteboards, new playground markings, contribution towards the Reception play area, discos, pantomimes, Easter chocolate, book bags for new starters, leavers books and tea, crackers, games tables and gazebos.

Item 2 – Upcoming events

We discussed in detail the movie night, Father's Day sale, summer fete and inflatable party. Unfortunately with such minimal support, we were unable to run the summer fete and inflatable party this year. We are hoping to increase presence at these events for next year so that we can run them. We also discussed the possibility of a joint circus event with Sutton at Hone Primary School

Item 3 – Amazon wish list

We will look at setting up a wish list on Amazon for things the school/pupils may require or enjoy.

Item 4 – Class Reps

We thought it may be a good idea for every class to have a PTA representative – they can be another friendly face for parents and pupils, and also be able to feed information through to the class and join our PTA meetings, etc.

Item 5 – Match Funding

Many companies throughout the UK offer employees the chance to boost their fundraising efforts by 'matching' the money they raise. It really is money for nothing, and we could double the amount of cash we raise with very little effort.

Not all companies offer match funding but those that do will pledge a sum of money relating to the amount raised at a certain event. Some organisations will match fund on a £ for £ basis, others will stipulate what they are prepared to give.

More to follow on this.

Item 6 – New positions

Unfortunately after many years of hard work our Treasurer, Kathryn Grant, will be stepping down from her position in July 2018. We are therefore looking for a new Treasurer. We would also like to bring on board a Vice Secretary as this role is evolving.

Item 7 – Kent Pass

The Kent pass is a community membership card which promotes an active, healthy and affordable lifestyle for the residents of Kent. Each pass is valid for one year and is a must have for anyone living in Kent or visiting Kent. Currently the pass gives you access to over 80 deals/discounts offering lots of savings. These will be on sale shortly for just £12.00. RRP £15.00.

The meetings were closed with a date for the next meeting to be agreed.

Minutes prepared by Sally Tall.