



PTA Minutes Friday 21st March 2021

Attendees via Teams - Chris Batchelor, Amanda Charles, Rachel Foster, Tony Humphries, Sarah McAllister, Emma Sheppard, Mrs Foad

Update from Chair

It's been a busy month since our last meeting, with lots of communication on new events. Fantastic result for doughnut day, incredible and unexpected. It's been challenging for the PTA to come up with new ideas we've not tried before. Parent uptake has been positive and shows we should take on new ideas instead of sticking with our 'safe' options most of the time. Our last informal meeting showed new ideas: Treasure Trail from Rachel and Unsung Hero Mufti Day from Kelly Murphy. There's been a big push behind the scenes for the Auction as we weren't sure if we would have any responses from local businesses and beyond but have been pleasantly surprised so far.

A thank you from the Chair to Emma for her work on our event posters, weekly parentmail and newsletters, helping to show transparency and great design flair (Mrs Foad loves them).

Financial Update

We have received £500.00 in matchfunding from HSBC.

All expenses have been paid and paperwork is up to date in the folder and on Google drive.

Stripe – we have received £199.00 in payments to the bank account.

We currently have £7,126.64 in the bank account as of 20th May 2021.

Summer Auction

We have contacted a lot of businesses new to us. Where we don't get a reply to our email, we will follow up with a letter handed in in person. Since our last informal meeting we have been offered the following:

Get Set 4 Tennis – 5-week course of lessons

Globe Active – 3 free day passes for their holiday camp.

Kaija Wellness - £30 voucher on a treatment of the winners choice

Batchworth Park Golf Club – a round of golf for 4 people

Bekonscot – another voucher for 1 adult and 1 child

Jigsaw Arts – a place at summer school 26-30th August

Rickmansworth Tae Kwon Do – discount vouchers for classes

Snow Centre Hemel - £25 voucher

West Herts Golf Club – a round of golf for 4 people

PMI 5 A Side - £100 voucher for a football party AND a voucher for Adult Indoor 3G League

Bubble Balloons Hertfordshire - £25 voucher to winners' balloons of choice

Pets at Home – a hamper of various pet items

That Data Guy Ltd – Euro 2020 football and a signed hardback copy of A Year at the Chateau

The Body Shop – Hamper of Body Shop goodies

Krispy Kreme Donut Sale

Surprised at the uptake. Currently have £371.50 in sales. Sarah will create spreadsheet (will pass to Mrs Foad to check names and classes are correct) and produce labels. UPDATE: Sarah went to Krispy Kreme in Watford and they will box all the doughnuts in 1, 6 and 12s we just need to put how many of those quantities we need on the order.

Fathers' Day Gift

Will be held 24th May – 11th June for delivery on 18th June. Event set up on PTA Events, poster is ready to go on noticeboards w/c 24th. We have three offerings: Neoprene can holder (£3.00), Neoprene bottle sleeve (£3.50) and an aluminium bottle opener key chain (£3.00). The event will be publicized on our

next parentmail and made clear that the event is not just for dads and the can holder and bottle sleeve are not just for beer/lager cans/bottles.

Movie Morning

One film given to Mrs Foad on USB to test at school, which works ok. The remaining four will be given to Mrs Foad later today. Popcorn will be bought and sorted for each class.

Secondhand Uniform

Half-price sale raised £67.00, but the week after the sale ended raised more. Current amount raised since the beginning of the school year is £491.68.

Bags 2 School

This event will be revisited in the next school year.

PTA Summer Raffle

Waiting for the email from Parentkind to say it will be happening.

Year 6 Leavers Present

As year 6 will be getting their hoodies etc. Mrs Foad feels they have sufficient items, but she is keen for them to have their leavers WordArt poster, which Mandy will create.

Unsung Hero Mufti Day

This will be pushed back to next year and tie it in with another event.

Headteacher/Teacher Segment

Nothing to add.

AOB

Bears for Reception – We have decided that we wouldn't buy in teddies for Reception. We will make one bear for each house in house colours from recycled jumpers and given to Reception as House Mascots and used as Comfort Bears. These will travel with the class through their time at the school. Mrs Foad has agreed with this suggestion.

Grants – We have created a list of grant opportunities that might be useful to the school and will pass this on to Mrs Foad.

Our next Informal meeting will be Thursday 10th June 2021 via Teams.

Our next Meeting will be Friday 18th June 2021 via Teams.