

PTA Meeting 13/05/24 – 8:15PM

Holy Trinity CE Primary School, Sunningdale

Meeting conducted in person

Co Chair – Jyotika Patel

Co Chair – Ingrid Badenhorst

Treasurer – Sarah Harris

Secretary – Debra Harrison

School Representatives – Mrs Poulter unable to attend, Miss Harding

Reception – Gemma Benbow, Hannah Howe

Year 1 – Wendy Wilson, Lizzie Carpenter

Year 2 - Erica Guest, Vanessa Kemp

Year 3 – Janice Sudell – unable to attend, Sam Pink

Year 4 – Joanna Pasha – unable to attend, Valerie Waters

Year 5 – Paula Bazley, Lianna Richardson – unable to attend

Year 6 – Seona Treadaway

Gardening club/Allotment – Clarie Patel

1. Sarah Harris shared the good news that £17K has been raised by the PTA so far this year. If the target of £25k is reached by summer considerable parental donations of £5k will be gifted. This is wholly achievable.
2. The forecasted funds for the year end are set to allow us to go ahead with the running track, with the time frame of this summer for execution to be achievable. We need to ensure we have a buffer in the account of £8k.
3. The chairs wanted to address the current deficit in the school budget and impact this will have on staffing levels in the school, the implication this will have on the education and wellbeing for the children.
Ways in which the PTA could help with this matter were discussed. It is not possible for the PTA to financially help, however put forward the suggestion of a petition for the whole school to sign and send to

the local MP/council to voice the concern for any impact this could have on the standard of education provided.

Additional ways the PTA could assist the school in these challenging times which were raised include if it is possible for the PTA to facilitate the funding of any DBS checks parents may need, in order for them to assist with reading within the school.

4. Could we reinstate the “wish tree” to allow our school community to help financially provide the specific resources each class needs. With the aim in mind of increasing communication with a visual aid. Any item be it big or small can be added.
5. Sports day 13th June - this is an opportunity to raise funds through ice cream/ice lolly sales. A rota of volunteers is to be drawn up to man the sales.

A suggestion to have a parent race for a cost per entrance was raised as another fundraising stream. Miss Harding will check to see if this is possible from an Insurance requirement.

SUMMER FAIR

6. Summer Fair stalls – a list of stalls matched to appropriate year groups to be circulated by the chairs.
7. Although the aim this year is to reduce external stall holders, the small fairground rides for example tea cups, offer something relevant for the younger years and add to the festival ambiance. Ingrid is currently waiting on availability confirmation.
8. The committee agreed to go ahead with the bouncy castle hire of both the assault course and slide. The vision is for this to potentially not be a money maker, however with the aim to draw people in for spend on drinks/food etc.
9. KS2 playground area – could we check with the school to ensure this can be opened up for use during the fair.

10. During previous years, Mrs Tomes and Kirsty from Preschool have provided a perfect event in forest school, toasting marshmallows/smores for the younger children. Could we make enquiries to see if this can be repeated this year please.
11. Music for the fair is to be discussed and decisions around a DJ v Playlist. Claire Patel offered her Husband as the DJ. In addition, a role of a compare would be of benefit to the fair as there will be a significant number of events throughout the day, this will help keep everything on track. The chairs do have a year 1 Dad contact in mind to pursue.
12. Brekenbridge will continue to sponsor the fair, providing the main raffle prize of an Ipad. In addition we will communicate throughout the community to have sales boards displayed in houses.
13. Additional local advertising for the Summer Fair was discussed and the idea of a banner displayed at Broomhall was raised, the cost being approx. £50.
14. This year the Summer Fair is to be rebranded creating a more festival vibe. Gemma Gill, a parent at the school, will do all designing and branding which will be present on all advertising, in addition, this year branded merchandise such as tote bags, water bottles, caps etc will be sold.
15. The idea of having a fire engine present was discussed. Claire Patel will follow up with personal contacts.
16. Additional events to take place will be:
 - Mini tennis provided by Match Point Tennis.
 - Zumba provided by the afterschool club.
 - Skateboard trials – again provided by afterschool club.
17. Food to be provided on the day will be BBQ hamburgers, sausages, veggie samosas. Drinks to be Peroni (alcoholic/non alcoholic), Pimms, soft drinks.

18. The allotment will be opened up to celebrate the area at the fair and make use of the amazing resource by holding yoga sessions, drumming sessions and plant sales.
19. The event as a whole needs to have an extensive risk assessment predominantly to understand electricity and water supplies.
20. Art club will provide the decorations to add to the festival theme.
21. Hannah Howe will provide gluten free baking, whilst the teachers will provide additional standard cakes.
22. To be able to execute the Summer Fair, a considerable number of volunteers will be needed, the canvassing of volunteers to be primarily through classes, then a central volunteering route used.
23. Communications are to go out asap.

Other Business

24. Mufti is on 24th May, the theme is still to be decided, no longer to be Eurovision!
25. Bags to school on 7th June. Comms to be sent out before half term.
26. Following on from the success of the last disco, there will now be 2 x school discos a year, the second to be held around Halloween.
27. The sheds needs replacing, quotes have been received, Wendy to provide quotes.
28. The football goals have now been delivered, however one has already been broken.
29. The Ipads for individual class use can now be ordered by Wendy as the funding has been received.
30. Mrs Griffith has offered up a space on the newsletter for PTA to communicate anything we would like to put out to the school community, suggestions are welcome every week.

31. Class resources - as Reception are more sensory based, needing to develop fine motor skills, the budget should be increased to £300. It would be useful to detail what money is being spent on.
32. A future project to be funded by the PTA could potentially be a library regeneration. An idea was put forward to see if there are any interior designer contacts within the parent committee, who may be able to help regenerate the area.
33. Eco committee – it would be good to understand what a suitable funding level is needed going forward. In addition a shout out to the community for compost bags would be of great help.
34. Entrepreneurs day – This event could be held next year involving children, more information to follow at future meetings.

