

PTA Meeting 04/03/24 - 8PM

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, 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 join, Sam Pink

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

Year 5 – Paula Bazley, Lianna Richardson

Year 6 – Seona Treadaway – unable to attend, Martina Fleming

Gardening club/Allotment – Claire Patel

1. World book day/book sale – this will be held on 8th March, volunteers required all day. Slots to be allocated. Tables to be cleared down and set aside for lunch. Class reps are to send out messages to their respective classes to ask for volunteers and provide information. Children need to be sent into school with cash, books will be sold around the price point 50p to £1.
2. School disco – 108 tickets have been sold so far with a few more expected in the pipeline. The aim is to achieve a profit of £500, There are currently 54 attendees per keystage. Reception numbers are low primarily due to parents safeguarding concerns. The message which needs to be reiterated amongst all parents should be that all doors will be thoroughly manned with the presence of an adult to child ratio of 6:1 for KS1 and 10:1 KS2. Preschool will also be attending and need to have a final push on the ticket sales. There will be an adult present from Preschool for safeguarding purposes. There will also be a stall selling glow sticks etc. Profits from this will go to Preschool.

3. Easter Eggs – to be disbursed on 25th March, Debbie will draft a letter and source the Easter eggs.
4. Allotment opening day on 26th April – A ribbon will be cut by the Eco Community, parents have the chance to visit the allotment and experience what has been created. A stand will be set up providing drinks. We need to take the opportunity to celebrate this resource and its potential future usage and how beneficial the allotment will be for seasonal events.

Please could all class reps put communication out on their class groups to reach out for more helpers to be present on the opening day.

Donations received from the last sow day were £50.

The suggestion to run an afterschool club at the allotment was raised, this may be something that could be facilitated by Hannah from Little Muddy Boots. Wendy will follow up on this point.

A shared interest with Royal Holloway University is to be explored as this could complement the allotment resource. Hannah will follow up on this point.

5. Sports Day – to be held on 13th June with a 9:15am start.

The PTA will have a stall offering food and drink to complement the picnic on the field afterwards for both parents and children.

Miss Harding will explore the suggestion of a parent race.

6. Summer fair – to be held on 29th June

The prominent stalls will be the food and drink stalls, sweet tombola, bottle tombola, dunk Rev Jon (this will be dunk friends this year as Rev Jon will be having a convenient well earned break!)

There is the desire this year to increase the level of the excitement at the Fair. Popular ways of achieving this are to have a large bouncy castle, a large football goalie, music, possibly a live band.

The reintroduction of external stalls is paramount as these are a major footfall pull. Reach out for these will need to happen imminently.

Hampers will be raffled off again as this is a pure profit generator. This year a suggestion for an Olympic theme was suggested.

The potential for the Scouts to coincide their bike sale with our Summer Fair was explored.

7. Future fundraising events – The possibility of hosting a Circus was raised. This is seen as an instead of the Summer Fair event, rather than a supplementary event. The model would be anything raised over £2K would be profitable for the school. Past circus events held at the school need to be revisited to see if this will be worthwhile.
8. School Shed – The current PTA shed is not fit for purpose and needs fully replacing. Current quotes have ranged from £2k - £4k, a 3rd quote is to be provided, with the hope of construction this summer.
9. All weather track – already raised £14k towards the target of £32k which is the preferred quote supplied. There is currently a healthy bank balance of £38k, however as we have approx. £10k allocated to other expenditure and need to keep a comfortable balance we still have significant fundraising to go towards the track.

An area which we need to explore being local community grants, which are aimed directly at improving the health and fitness in the community. Lianna will look into this further.

In addition corporate fund matching initiatives could be explored as this could be key to achieving our target raised, Sam will investigate with her employers.

It is also a good opportunity to get the children involved in raising funds themselves. Some suggestions were staggered runs, group fitbit step goals etc.

10. Class Assemblies – Y6 parents are to provide teas and coffees at all class assemblies going forward.

11. Cake sales – it is worth communicating out to all parents that the money raised from cake sales will go directly to their class towards trips and other added value items, that the children will directly benefit from.
12. School Lottery – this needs to be communicated to the wider school community as the uptake seems to be reducing over the recent years. It appears to be a result of a lack of awareness. This could benefit from a slot in the newsletter.
13. Next meeting 6th May