

## Minutes Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Apologises – Lisa, Zoe, Alison and Ingrid.

Present – Suzie, Jess, Tanya, Catherine, Ashley and Nikita.

- Easter egg hunt – feedback was extremely positive from PTA/volunteers, teachers and parents/children. 2 card machines and still quite a queue, to potentially look at getting another 2 card readers. Lisa to contact Trailing Bean to see if they were happy as we had to cancel them from the original date due to weather. In future if we are going to cancel an event on the day the decision needs to be made by 10am latest, last minute cancellation was unfair on Trailing Bean, who we were unable to get a hold of before they arrived. Event raised £667.
- Mother's and Others – Suzie to update us with figure raised.
- Raffle update – no more prizes to add. £312 in sales so far. Nikita to contact school for a reminder email to go out to parents. Social media prize updates to push the raffle and hopefully encourage more interest. A parent asked if we could stick the raffle ticket to prizes as they have multiple tickets for family so will help them know who's won what prize if they win, agreed we would be able to do this.
- KS1 Disco – Volunteers all sorted for event. New Disco company Anthony Bishop charging £100 if goes well to check price for 3 hours. Suzie to prepare shopping list for Tanya by next week. Sweets for disco need packaging up, next meeting to be held Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May at Tanya's house, to allow us to do this. Nikita to speak with Ingrid re mini cheddar allergy.
- Summer Festival update – Fire service attendance confirmed as long as no emergencies. Lisa contacted Kent Police waiting on response. Tanya will try to confirm how we apply for ambulance. Nikita to contact RIL and Ashley to contact Air ambulance. Ashley to contact Miranda re banners. To see if the school have an outdoor PA system we can use (Nikita to confirm with Ingrid). Stocks, Nikita to ask her FIL to fix if possible, and to send a note asking teachers to volunteer to be in the stocks. Cutlery smash game stall to look into, Tanya to drop mugs for storage at Nikita's. Welly wanging – to see if Golden boot will sponsor. Nikita to contact Sam in regards to inflatables contact. Discussed having tokens/wristbands for sale with the idea of going cashless if not this festival in the future, Suzie to look into costings. Scots contacted for a stall running games, as well as some of our Christmas stall holders. Agreed if we have outside company in are there purely for free advertisement not to sell or raise money for their own cause/profit. Tanya will get the shop in August so list to be ready for summer holidays. Knight Edmond boards to ask Zoe to go through the list of current houses and contact to see if happy to have a board again this year. Nikita to send advert out via school to see if any new houses to place boards.
- Coffee afternoon – Nikita to ask Ingrid for a few potential dates. – Nikita, Suzie, Ashley, Lisa and Catherine usually about to help.

- Zoe update on ad – Zoe not present this evening to contact and ask.
- Ad for treasurer – to be encouraged at new parent events and Coffee afternoon. To ask Ingrid if we are able to come in on the days that new parents come for stay and plays.
- Reception Disco – parked for next meeting Nikita to discuss with Ingrid.
- Father's day ideas – Xmas for schools key ring, mug? Nikita to contact and find out what's available. Strawberries wouldn't be able to be confirmed till last minute so maybe a top up sale on top of what we decide. Chocolate bars – I love you Cadbury's or personalised wrapped ones – to look into and costings.
- Bingo Night – Ashley has requested to move bingo night to November as she is away for 4 weeks before the agreed date. All agreed may be better in the winter months.
- AOB
- Christmas Decoration workshop – Tanya's MIL has looked into materials potentially £3 max per person. We will need to forage for materials to use. Mince pie and mulled wine supplied agreed ticket price £10 per person. First Thursday in December if possible – Brook hall, 50 adults. To confirm numbers if allowed more with Ingrid.
- Summer event – to arrange a parent social night not to raise money more to make connections with parents and PTA members to hopefully encourage relationships with parents and the PTA – to ask Lisa about potentially hosting at the bull and providing nibbles charging to cover this cost only. Or meeting for drinks in town somewhere like Mumu's.
- Metro bank only open Monday to Friday no longer able to bank cash at weekends. More of a reason to try to go cashless at events in the future. Suzie to investigate creating a payment link through Sum Up for Catherine to use in the uniform shop.