



WOODSIDE JUNIOR SCHOOL PTA

Charity No.: 296361

PTA Meeting Date: 21/01/2025

Time: 20:00

Place: Teams meeting

Attendees:

Catherine Wright, Mira Pitkin, Susie Loughlin, Kate Dinwiddy, Victoria Jones, Mr Appleby, Laura Sawyer

Apologies:

Kate Wagstaff, Vicki Hamilton, Jenny Rees

Nothing arising from last minutes as the focus was on the Christmas Cheer.

Treasury update –

MP confirmed there is just over £7000 in total

£1200 was made on Xmas fair

£320 vouchers

Money from Salesforce – Mira was the winner of a draw at her work which £450

Some from Just Giving

Fundraising needs – white boards

MP – has there been any research done by school regarding the whiteboards

SA – says they have had quotes for both interactive and non-interactive whiteboards. Approx £2000 per screen... strengthened glass. Thinks the interactive one is the way the school want to go

MP – can we get an idea of the costs that would be good. Don't have to wait to get all ordered at once?

SA – they need to order them via their usual school IT kit provider but mentioned it would be good to get a comparative quote to ensure cost the school are being quoted is reasonable

SL – mentioned her husband can get a comparative quote

SA – the school are also looking for 21" or 24" monitors – they need 4 or 5.

VJ – good to have an up to date list of items that are needed

CW – agrees a Wishlist would be good – she will mention it to Charley in the office

VJ – said that her company would be happy to donate equipment where needed

CW – suggested to find out from Mrs Jonwood what books might be needed for the library

VJ – "Bubbles for Books" – did this at her last school where she requested donations of bottles of bubbles that parents/carers had at home, eg Prosecco, bubble bath – sold raffle tickets at the school gate on the same evening as another school event and they raised £300

Fundraising needs – replacement chairs in the hall

SA – they need to replace all the chairs (90+) Charley is best placed to feedback on this

Tesco Stronger Starts application

CW – never got a chance to complete this. Will do it in the next week or so.

Needed demographic info from school which delayed the application process.

Worth doing since first place is £1500, second place is £1000 and third is £500

Events for this Term

1. Quiz night (parents only) – Sat 15 March

Food + drink provided as part of the cost

2. Bingo (children) – Thurs 3 April

Discussed which days of the week there is nothing on at school and that the last week of a full term the after school clubs have usually finished.

SA thinks there is nothing on on a Tuesday. Need to confirm this with the office

Break the Rules/Non uniform day – Fri 14 Feb (last day of term)

SA – mentioned there were some children inappropriately dressed – wants a clear list of allowable items.

CW – suggested speaking to the office to see what was inappropriate last time

(no mini skirts for example)

Second hand uniform sale – date TBC

Other events – Summer Term

3. Silent Disco – not expensive to run – May time

4. Colour Run –

5. Summer Fair – Sat 14 June

VJ – is a graphic designer by trade and so can help if needed just to give her reasonable notice

Any other business

- Hoodies – the school have decided to only allow one colour which will be green. School paying the invoice and so we are saving the VAT
- Leavers Books – Maria Atton has kindly offered to compile the books – to find out where she is at with the Leavers Books
LS – to ask Mrs Croot how best to go about planning for the Leavers Books. It might be that Mrs Croot gets in touch with Maria directly.

PTA Committee member changes

- Catherine announced that she will be stepping down as Chair from September. We will need to let the school community know and call for a new Chair – possibly for school to send this out in an upcoming Newsletter
- Mira said whilst she is happy to continue as Treasurer next year, there would ideally need to be someone to volunteer to take this to allow for a smooth handover of tasks and responsibilities

Next meeting:

Tues 25 February 20:00 at the Boot and Slipper pub