# **St. John's School Parents' Association -** Fundraising for our children's futures

## **MINUTES**

## Parents Association Committee Meeting – 13 Jan 22

In attendance	Chloe Gardner	Chair
	Jo Green	Vice Chair
	Carenza Parker	Vice Chair
	Sophie Smith	Treasurer
	Charly Jones	Secretary

Discussion	Lead/Action
Minutes of the last meeting:	
Nil outstanding actions or comments to the minutes from the last meeting.	Chair
Item 1: Meeting Intro	Chair
Chair welcomed the Committee to the first meeting in 2022.	
Following an internal review of the Association constitution, the committee were informed that any previous votes held at 'open' meetings (those with all parents in attendance – not just committee members) were not binding and should have been taken as guidance or 'show of hand' to guide the committee in place at the time as to their decision making. (Ref – Parentkind documentation and guidance for PTAs). This would be relevant moving forward with regards to previously ringfenced funds.	
Item 2: Treasurer's Report	Treasurer
Please see enclosed financial statement, for specific detail.	
Item 3: Special Project	Chair
'Hogan's Hideaway' and its transformation into a sensory garden, has been a work in progress for many years with little progress due to limited funding. Mr Newton (Headteacher) has now approached the PA with the intention of completing this work at the earliest opportunity and would like to re-frame the project to include elements of outdoor classroom and potentially 'forest school'.	
Discussions have taken place with a local contractor – Countrywide Supplies ref supply of materials and labour. They have stated that they are willing to supply the vast majority of materials inc ceramic tiling for the area and composite decking providing that the area can be cleared and prepared. To complete these works, a skip and digger in addition to labour will be required – <b>CG</b> is currently seeking a quote for works, expecting approx. £10k to complete these works.	

The committee discussed that with the added emphasis from school and the discussing on ringfenced funds that they would be willing to support prioritising this project, providing that the end result was in keeping with previous fundraising and the grant given by Heart of Bucks for the pond cover (£2.5k). Project Officer Mrs R McComish remains as oversight and continues to advise and develop plans.

### **Concurrent activity – Cooking Lessons**

Previous committees had fundraised for cooking lessons to be provided for all years via a Summer Ball approx. 2018.

Whilst these lessons had inevitably slowed during the pandemic, the school also sought out a new catering contract at this time. The new contractor has agreed to provide cookery lessons to pupils at zero cost to school as part of their contract. This would therefore nullify the requirement to maintain the ringfenced sum currently sat at £3,860.00

Noting that the garden refurb was now a priority the committee took a vote to un-ringfence the cookery funds of £3,860.00 and transfer to the garden fund.

### Decision: Unanimous agree – 5/5

#### **Item 4: Review Past Events**

The Christmas Fair held on the 11<sup>th of</sup> Dec was a resounding success. All events over the Christmas period inc grotto, secret room, panto tickets, and proceeds from the fair raised a total of: £4,027.00

Secret Room shopping was in full flow with many presents already sourced. A shortage of male and female adult presents is causing some difficulty, but CP and JG continue the search.

It was agreed that all gifts purchased would be transferred to the PA cupboard at the earliest opportunity.

#### **Item 5: Future Events**

With the success of previous events the following were agreed to be held during the Spring Term:

Date	Event Details	Lead
27 Jan 22	Break the rules day. List of 10 rules that pupils can	CG
	'break' for a small fee. Rules to be agreed by Mr	
	Newton in advance	
28 Jan 22	Krispy Kreme sale	СР
Jan-Feb 22	Hoodie's sale. Small increase in cost.	CAJ
18 Feb 22	Valentines Disco	CG
4 Mar 22	Krispy Kreme sale	СР

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Chair

CP/JG

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20 Mar 22	Car Boot sale on school ground. Open to public. Cost	JG	
	of pitches to be agreed. PA to organise cake and		
	coffee/tea for sale.		
27 Mar 22	Mother's Day gifting. Flowerpots to be provided to	JG	
	pupils at PA cost.		
1 Apr 22	Krispy Kreme sale	СР	
7 Apr 22	<b>Easter Eggs.</b> Eggs to be provided to pupils at PA cost. Hampers to be raffled, duck race or balloon race also to be considered.	CI	
• Sumn  o  o  Bag 2  and a	Camp Night Summer Event School. JG was requested to source a volunteer to co-ordi rrange a date. Other Business		JG Chair All Committee
	mmittee members were reminded when arranging collection of building to ensure that the area is tidied regularly to ensure the area is the area.		members
	${f a}$ – Those Committee members who are yet to complete the minded that they would not be permitted access to site un		
advice from t	Following a review of the tanks in December and independ he RSPCA, they have advised that the fish in the library tank ne main tank near the assembly hall.		

Our thanks go to Mrs R Howson for the previous maintenance of both tanks and appreciate Mr S Hepburn taking on this responsibility moving forward.

The library tank will now be advertised for sale.

<u>Library Books</u> – School have requested a contribution of £xxxx to update books in the KS2 area. It was discussed that the 'Booko'/library lotto should be reviewed and given a publicity push. JG was requested to arrange.

A vote was taken ref transferring the current amount in the 'Booko' fund of £549.00 to PA funds to offset the donation.

<u>Decision: Unanimous agree – 5/5</u>

<u>Discretionary funds</u> – Committee members were reminded that there is a small amount of up to £75 that can be approved outside of committee for PA spends. These should be limited to items that benefit the running of the PA or small items for events, if unsure consult other members via the WhatsApp group. As

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guidance they should not be used to provide thank you gifts on behalf of the school or teachers, or items that the PA would not normally fund such as bills.	
All emails should be sent to stjohnsparentsassociation@gmail.com.	

## C A Jones Secretary

PA Committee 2021-2022		
Chair	Chloe Gardner	
Vice Chair	Carenza Parker	
Vice Chair	Jo Green	
Treasurer	Sophie Smith	
Secretary	Charly Jones	
Class Reps		
Reception	Hannah Krol-Smith	
Year 1	Beka Sharrock	
Year 2	Kelly Moulder	
Year 3 Leon McComish		
Year 4 Lizzy Davies and Jo		
	Green	
Year 5	Liz Paradiso	
Year 6	Lizzy Davies	

### St John's Primary School Parents' Association Financial Update 1/09/21-31/12/21

Events	Income	Expense	Profit
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Christmas Card Orders	2,477.00	1,878.49	598.51
2nd Hand Uniform	98.11		98.11
Xmas Fair, Grotto, Trees, cards	4,807.71	2,719.42	2,088.29
Disco	1,031.00	192.75	838.25
Secret Room	2,597.00	1,350.96	1,246.04
Donuts	508.09	264.44	243.65
Wreaths	290.00	195.29	94.71
Panto	1,506.00	1,345.50	160.50
Stationery	78.95	21.71	57.24 -
Misc Income (Referrals, Recycling	Ehay Danations		
Lacey Green Youth Club	1,000.00		1,000.00
Bucks Grant - hogans	2,500.00		2,500.00
Amazon Smile	55.20		55.20
Misc	70.00		70.00
			329.89
Recycling	329.89	7,000,50	
Total Funds Raised	17,348.95	7,968.56	9,380.39
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PA Expenses			-
Lottery Licence for Booko			40.00
Parentkind Membership			
Total PA Purchases			40.00
Purchases since 1st Sept			
Ongoing Projects			
Cookery			1,650.78
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Fish			
			1,860.00
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Effective Balance	19,123.86
Total Committee runus	13,243.33
Total Committed Funds	15,243.39
Teacher Gifts (Yr 6 Gift)	454.00
STEM kit - crumble robotic vehicle and controller	760.00
Branded flag for sporting events	180.00
Reserved for Booko	549.39
Educational workshops	3,000.00
Hogans Hideaway	2,500.00
Reserves	7,500.00
Fish	300.00