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

MINUTES

Parents Association Meeting – 23 Sep 2020 Run online via Zoom

In attendance	Charlotte Best	Chair
	Rebekah Sharrock	Treasurer
	Hannah Bates	
	Jennifer Carter	
	Victoria Geenes	
	Sam Greenfield	
	Rachel Griffiths	
	Nicola Mackinnon	
	Alison Mueller	
	Jo Sharp	
	Claire Smith	
	Kerry Wiles	
	Mr Newton	Headteacher
	Mrs Chilton	School Office
	Charly Jones	Secretary
Apologies	Steph Dell	
	Marianne Heighs	
	Carenza Parker	

Discussion	Lead/Action
Introductions:	
Following the AGM, the new Chair thanked the previous committee for all their hard work, in particular JS and VG who had taken on several roles in order to keep the committee afloat.	Chair
Item 1: Library Lottery (previously known as Booko)	
Some uptake – 50 families have signed up so far. Will require a further push.	TBC
Item 2: Bag2School	
Next collection is scheduled for 12 Oct. Committee continue to seek an on-site solution; issue is where to site a permanent bin.	
Decision:	
To be discussed further with Mr N.	Secretary
Item 3: Sensory Garden	
RAF Volunteers, along with some parent helpers, cleared and skipped the existing decking, and completed various garden maintenance jobs around the school in August. Phase 2 will require diggers and more volunteers.	

Decision:

Date in October half term to be agreed, more volunteers sought

Chair

Item 4: Christmas Cards

VG had received pack up and passed to school. 'Early Bird' deadline for completion, proofing and return to company 28 Oct. Mr N believed this to be tight. Cards will be completed asap in Art lessons.

School

Item 5: Reception welcome bags

Reception parents were gifted small welcome bags on first day of term. Comments from those present indicated that they were well received.

Item 6: Class reps

Class reps for 20/21 were confirmed as follows:

Reception Rebekah Sharrock
Year 1 Kelly Moulder
Year 2 Leon McComish
Year 3 Karen House
Year 4 SJ Ebdon
Year 5 Lizzy Davies
Year 6 Rachel Griffiths

Item 7: Forthcoming Events

Due to current restrictions, forthcoming events were limited to sponsored run (school run) and potential Christmas events.

Decision:

Mr N to provide a date for the sponsored run (likely after Oct Half term). Christmas events are in the planning stages, more to follow when confirmed.

Head/Chair/Sec/ Treas

Item 8: Waitrose Token scheme

PA has been given opportunity again to apply for the Waitrose green token scheme. We received £300 on previous attempt (earlier this FY)

Decision:

CB to complete forms and apply.

Item 9: School Hoodies

VG has sourced a company who can produce sports appropriate hoodies for the children to use in colder months, and at school representative sports days. Hoodies would be sold via the PA website making a small profit.

Chair

Decision:

School content with proposal. VG requested to provide committee with cost and contact details of company.

Victoria Geenes

Item 10: Spending proposals

The Head's wish list and alternative sources of funding were discussed. Attending parents commented that in previous years a voluntary donation (approx. £10-£15 a term) had been sought from parents to enable the school to purchase smaller items of equipment not funded by the Academy or PA.

Decision:

Voluntary contributions to be discussed again at a committee meeting and an Amazon wish list discussed with Mr N.

Head/Chair

Item 11: Volunteers

Volunteers are currently sought for the following:

2nd Hand uniform – to store, sort, and co-manage with KW Fish – to maintain, feed and clean the 2 x tropical fish tanks in the school.

Please pass names to the committee via email.

Item 12 - AOB/ Closing remarks/ Dates of Next Meetings

1. AOB – JS informed the committee that she would continue to run the school recycling scheme. Wheelie bins can be found at the Lacey Green Village Hall, or outside 14 New Road, Walters Ash.

JS also confirmed that she would be continuing to order and supply the required stationary for KS2. Orders can be placed via the PTA events webpage.

2. Dates of Next Meetings.

a. Core Committee: 28 Sep 20 1930hrs

b. PA meeting TBC

C A Jones Secretary