

PTA Zoom Meeting – Monday 13 October 2020

1. Present

Mrs R Spray, Mrs E Parkes, Mr K Parkes, Mrs H Llewellyn, Mrs E Coleman, Mrs J Branson, Mrs S Porter

2. Apologies

Mrs J Everitt, Mrs D Biddle, Mrs S Howlett

3. Minutes of last meeting

These were agreed

4. Matters arising from the minutes

KP reported that the card machines were now up and running and these could be used for the next function and that the PTA have two machines that can be used.

£50 was raised from the Second-hand Uniform Sale.

5. Correspondence

Nothing to report

6. Finance

KP reported that he had been looking into moving the current bank account, as RBS users will not be able to use Nat West as from next spring. Of the several that he had looked into Lloyds are offering the best resources but that they are not accommodating any new accounts at the moment – this will probably change at the end of October. The account will, therefore, be moved over as soon as is possible and it is hope that this will be before spring next year.

EC will forward KP all the login details for the card readers.

7. Fundraising

Easter Eggs – it was agreed that the PTA would buy Easter Eggs for the children in school again next year.

Recycling – RS reported that 6 boxes of ink cartridges have been sent and we are waiting to hear from the company as to how much this has raised. KP asked to give RS the current account banking details so that they can send the cash through by Bacs transfer.

Bags2School – The current collection of bags will be collected on the 20 October with a no contact pick up. It was suggested that we look into other companies which may offer more money for the bags.

Second hand uniform sale – The next one is organised for the 17 November 2020 - 2.30 till 3.15pm

Mini Christmas Fair - Tuesday 8th December 2.30 - 3.30pm. It was discussed at the previous meeting and decided that it was possible to do this now that we have the card readers. Small things will be provided for the children/parents to purchase from a stall outside the school one afternoon (where the second-hand uniform stall is held). It was discussed in details and decided that items such as Reindeer food, hot chocolate packs etc could be the sort of thing that we could sell. A letter will go out to parents asking if anyone can provide any craft items that would be suitable to sell or even any Christmas material for someone else to use. EP said that she could organise a leaflet that will go out to parents the week before the Fair to promote what is available and ask parents to pre-order items. This will also be put on the face book page.

Christmas Jumper – Parents will be asked to donate any unwanted Christmas Jumpers to school and these can be sold alongside the second hand uniform. A letter will go out about this and donations asked for after the bags to school collection.

Christmas Raffle - This was discussed in details and it was decided that we could do this by asking parents for donations for 2 hampers – one chocolate hamper and one Christmas goodies hamper. Boxes will be put in the playground for the donations to be collected and raffle tickets sold at the second hand uniform sale by writing names on the tickets but not handing them out.

Silent Auction – this is a possible fundraiser for another time

Sponsored litter pick – this is a possible for when the weather gets better.

Duck race – this would be a good fundraiser but would require a fair amount of organisation and better weather

8. Communications with school

JB reported that the school had been informed that the coffee shops in Eyam had been raising fund for the school in Eyam by donating 10p from every hot drink sold during a specific period, and wondered if we could possibly do a similar thing in our village with the pub and Farm Shop. EC will make enquiries about this and report back.

It was agreed that the money raised from the recycling of crisp packets by the pub and ourselves could be used towards the purchase of the Christmas books for the children's presents.

It was reported that the school will not be attending a Panto this year. SP will forward links to a couple of companies that are offering an online panto, that may be a good idea to show one afternoon to the children in each of their classes. The school will look into this and report back.

The school asked that as the current restrictions prohibited the PTA from coming into school to organise the usual Christmas card making activity, that they organise it this year. JB has spoken to Cauliflower cards and they have put a procedure in place which means that this can be done safely. SP asked if the school could inform the parents that this activity is done as a joint venture – School and PTA.

9. School feedback

JB reported that class 1 and class 2 had purchased some playdough with some of their PTA donation.

10. Any other business

Books for scan and send – it was thought that a request could be put out for books to be brought in after Christmas.

A suggestion was made that we ask for unwanted gifts to be brought in after Christmas and that these could then be sold as Mother's day gifts. This will be looked into in more detail at the next meeting.

11. Date and Time of next meeting

Thursday 19th November 2020 at 8.30pm

The meeting closed at 9.45pm.