

St. John's C of E PTA AGM

Date: Thursday 12th January

Meeting start time: 7pm

In attendance:

Sarah Gausden (Chair), Michelle Wheeler (Treasurer), Emma Hope (Minutes Secretary), Emily Roberts (Secretary), Alastair Williams, Ana Maria Houston, Charlotte Anurukem, Georgia Waller, Robin, Laura Connett, Helen, Stacey

Apologies: Jonathon Pain, Helen Blanchflower, Caroline Bailey, Jo North, Sammy Webb, Lucy Sharpe, Kate C, Fee,

Intro to PTA

- Sarah gave a general intro to the PTA and what it does.

Action: Emily to reshare the PTA flyer that went out to Year R to help people understand the purpose of the PTA.

Friends of St. John's School

- Voted at the AGM, yet formal process has not completed yet so still at PTA at current time.

Feedback on 2022 events

School/Pub Quiz

- Good feedback. Questions maybe a little too hard. Discussed about having a food van at the next time. Everyone generally seemed happy with original format

World Cup Quiz

- It worked; it was a very busy time for events so take up was not as much as it thought it would be

Christmas cards

– run by Sammy. £420 made

Present room

– An opt out form for next year so the parents who do not want their children to be involved, can be left in the classroom so they do not feel uncomfortable in the hall. Discussion with school needed.

Events/activities that need organising for 2023

School disco on 9th Feb

- Glow sticks will be used up for this event
- Can Mark stay 15 mins longer, can we take 15 mins off (maybe 10mins off KS1 and 5 mins of KS2)

- KS1 clearer communication where you pick up your children
- Volume of disco was too loud
- Need lights set up at the refreshment area as by KS2 it got too dark
- Vicky and Zoe happy to lead but need core help. Ana-Marie & Georgia happy to help lead
- Use of sum up to pay for tickets for disco. Sarah & Michelle to discuss after meeting

Easter event 25th March

- We would like to get farm again, Miller's Ark is currently available
 - Ticket price to be kept the same at £2.50
 - Every volunteer gets a free child ticket
 - Leaders needed for: food, easter hunt, raffle, craft, farm. Overall leader needed
 - How do we use the school's orienteering course as part of the Easter event
- Action: Robin** to develop a google form, replies by the 27th January to find out if we have any overall co-ordinator and all the roles.
- Action: Emma** to provide content for the form.
- BBQ – general agreement that this should go ahead

Stay and Play event

- Tea and coffee event. Meet other parents.
- Dates suggested: Diversity Day on Friday 19th May & an event in January
- When weather is nicer then after school can work. For winter months straight after school drop off on a Friday.
- Emily, Charlotte, and Georgia

Other events

1. Break the rules. Friday 26th May
2. Frozen Friday start May time or when weather permits.
3. Summer disco – 13th July
4. Support year R induction in summer
5. Tea and tears in September for parents when new Year R start
6. Notice board will contain info on PTA events. Jo North will lead on this
7. Gift amnesty for unwanted presents which will be used for raffle
8. Crispy cream doughnuts – a poll could be put out to parents to see of interest
9. Scarecrow event – Do a local community scarecrow event.
10. At Christmas doing a wreath making event
11. Outdoor cinema (summer event). Stacy has a contact so can probably get a good deal on this

AOB

- Photos: we need more to get people interested in being involved in PTA events. We need to capture images, keeping in mind the restrictions of image rights. Sammy knows a photographer who can support. Maybe a 'photo booth' at events
- Parent kind membership has just been renewed

- Clare Lea is leaving ☹️
- Anyone who is interested giving Sarah their numbers to join the PTA WhatsApp group

Date of next meeting: Emma to do a survey to agree meeting date for next meeting, early March.

Meeting closed at 20:15