

PTA AGM

Minutes 2nd November

Present: E Johnston (EJ), E Donaldson (ED), J Baghurst (JB), J Setter (JS), L Haxton (LH), S Hamilton (SH), L Dalziel (LD), S Clark (SC)

Apologies: K Shaw (KS), P MacLure (PM), L Smart (LS), N Ewen (NE), M Barber (MC), N Shand (NS)

Items on Agenda

1. Corrections to previous minutes.

School fair will take place on Saturday 11TH of June

2. Update on Recent Events

Coffee morning was well attended. Thanks to everyone who attended, helped and baked!

200 Club has greatly increased its numbers from last session. After discussion with Mrs Johnstone it has been agreed to maintain this as a separate fund at present.

Halloween Discos went very well. Thanks to Pam Sainsbury and all the volunteers on the night.

Halloween Parties did not go ahead and will not take place within school hours in future years. Options for the future were discussed. This would be likely to take the format of a springtime party after school.

3. Upcoming Events

14th November – Bags 2 School

Information issued today via pupils. Thanks to Fay Bruce for organising this. Helpers on the Sat morning would be gratefully received. It was suggested that uniform/jackets in good condition could be suitable for donation to asylum support agencies (rather than African based charities). There is a legal limit to how long things must be retained and this would be adhered to. A decision can be made on this for the next Bags 2 School on the 7th of May. Lost property will be laid out at parents' night in the Studio.

28th November -Dons Day Out

Flyers were issued on Friday. Spaces are currently reserved. Thanks to Fay Bruce for organising this.

4th December – Music Bingo

Flyers issued Friday. This will take place at Kippie Lodge.

6th December – Santa Fun Run

We are still awaiting confirmation of a let for this date but expect the event to go ahead as planned.

Cinema Trip – it has been decided to postpone this until next term.

4. Financial Update

a) Report from Treasurer (see attached 4a)

See the report for details of income and spending during this last session. It seems as though the Summer Fair made slightly more than originally publicised.

b) Committed Spending (see attached 4b)

In partnership with Mrs Johnstone and Mrs Dalziel the attached spending was agreed.

5. Library Report

JB shared information about the refurbishment of the library and future plans. Children now have barcodes and in future children will scan their own books out. The system currently has a small glitch but this should be smoothed out shortly. Nicola Welsh has been invaluable in getting this up and running. The 'Patron of Reading' scheme looks likely to run also. Profits from the upcoming book fair will be used to add to library stock too.

6. Future Target

The Parent Council are likely to be working in partnership with the school to develop ideas and plans for how the playgrounds can be made more suitable for every child. This is likely to involve looking at zoning the playgrounds. The PTA are likely to be required to fund this work once progress has been made next session. We will try to raise money through grants in additions to fundraising.

7. Class Reps

Updated Later by email. Class reps are now in place for all classes except p6/7.

8. Book Sale on Parents Night

Thanks to Susan Smith for taking this on this session. Volunteers are needed to man the stall however. Groupcall used to ask for volunteers. If anyone can help for 30 mins either before or after their appointments please let the school know.

9. AGM Business

Existing PTA Chair, Vice Chair and Treasurer are all willing to stand for another year. We still have a need for a Communications Person. This role would involve producing termly newsletters, summarising what has happened and giving info on upcoming event. Any other ideas that could be used to increase information would also be welcomed. Thanks to all those who have attended recent meetings. Increased numbers give a much more balanced viewpoint during discussions and the additional help with tasks is invaluable.

10. AOCB

Photocopying Number – Mrs Johnstone has approved giving us a dedicated PTA photocopy number that we can then pay a bill for. SC issued this.

Next Meeting to be Confirmed

P4-7 Disco 25th February

Possible Fashion and Beauty Event during March??

Easyfundraising – Might be worth emailing with 'Find and Remind' link. This cannot be used with smart devices though. Update JS taking on the admin role for this in an effort to increase use.