

AGM 8 October 2015

Present

Mrs Mouchel (Headteacher), Mrs Sowerbutts (Finance Manager), Kerry Slaven (Chair), Shirley Sharman (Treasurer), Josie Saunders (Secretary)

Parents

Apologies

None

Welcome

Mrs Mouchel welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them all for attending. She expressed her thanks for the fundraising activities carried out by the PTA. It was noted that the point of the PTA was about bringing the whole community together, providing events for the adults, children and the wider community as a whole. The other side to the PTA is about fundraising for the school to allow the school to take on extra things that they might not otherwise be able to do. One of the main focuses of fundraising activities has been to help provide a new adventure playground for the school, which is due to start once the new building has been completed. The funds that have been raised so far have assisted in the life of the school and in the schools planning.

Chairperson's report

Kerry took the time to thank the group for attending the meeting and their continued support with organising the events and fundraisers for the school community. The annual report was read through with all those present at the meeting. It provided a summary of all the PTA events and fundraising activities for the past academic year.

Events have been well supported by the school community and enjoyed by all in the school. This is crucial in allowing the children to gain as much as possible from their school experience. The PTA have put on many amazing events including the Mother's Day and Father's Day Secret Wrapping room, 2 discos,

the Christmas Fair, Summer Fete and other fundraising activities such as Fun Mats, Bags to school and the easy fundraising scheme.

The money has been spent on music lessons for the children, umbrellas to provide shade for the children at lunchtime, sports day medals, Christmas crackers for all children, a gazebo for sporting events, new sporting equipment, money for the nature area, Year 6 leavers cinema treat and a £10 voucher for all who achieved 100% attendance over the academic year.

There were many people to thank including the committee, the volunteers and the parents and teachers as a whole. Special thanks went to Shirley Sharman, Amanda Rogers, Sabrina Halliwell and Katie Sheehan whose children have now left the school. Their contribution to the PTA was enormous. Special thanks also went to Joanne Barnetson for producing the PTA Newsletters, Micky B for providing the discos and music, the local Indian Parents who contributed greatly to the summer fete, Mrs Walton who has been very patient and a big part of the PTA, Mr Nimmo for his continued support at each event and to Mrs Mouchel for her advice and help throughout the year.

The challenge now is to welcome new members and encourage volunteers to make these events happen.

Treasurers Report

Shirley presented the treasurers report for the 2014/15 financial year

The total income for this period was £3938.39. The main contributors to this were the School Discos, Christmas Fair and the Summer Fete.

We have a total £5708.50 in the bank as of the end of this school financial year. Some of this has already been earmarked for the future new adventure playground. Further updates as to how this money will be spent will be included in future PTA newsletters.

Election of 2015/2016 Committee

Mrs Sowerbutt discussed the nature of the roles and the following officers and members were elected to the committee for 2015/2016. All positions were elected unanimously.

Officers

Chair: Kerry Slaven

(nominated by Paula Byrne, seconded by Mrs Biju)

Vice Chair: Joanne Barnetson

(nominated by Kerry Slaven, seconded by Cheryl Cardew-Williams)

Secretary: Cheryl Cardew-Williams

(nominated by Paula Byrne, seconded by Kerry Slaven)

Treasurer: Clari Lee

(nominated by Kerry Slaven, seconded by Josie Saunders)

The current officers will transfer the responsibilities and supporting information to the new officers as soon as possible.

Class representatives

Reception Hedgehogs: Clari and Karolina

Reception Squirrels: Kate and Jessy

Year 1: Cheryl Cardew-Williams

Year 2: Biju and Chloe Main

Year 3: Joanne Barnetson

Year 4: Kerry Slaven, Josie Saunders

Year 5: Nicole Pearson

Year 6: Paula Byrne

AOB

- Mrs Sowerbutt spoke about CRB checks and DVB checks. If a parent/carer volunteers at PTA events, they will always need to be accompanied by another member / or staff who has been CRB checked. Kerry Slaven is the current PTA member who has been CRB checked at the school.
- Mrs Mouchel informed the PTA that we would be holding a Reception Class coffee morning or afternoon to welcome all new parents to the school. This would be run by the PTA. A date would be agreed and the relevant planning would be put into place.
- Mrs Mouchel also advised about the Stained Glass Window fund that the PTA have kindly agreed to help fund. The window will be located in the new building. The winning designs from each class have been chosen and work will be under way shortly on these designs. The cost of this project is approximately £1600 and £400 has been raised so far from fundraising activities. Pauls Discount Clothing/Micky B have kindly agreed to provide an additional 2 discos for the school with the profits from these discos going towards the Stained Glass Window Fund. A big thankyou to Micky B for doing this.
- Further fundraising ideas were discussed from those present. These included adult Spanish classes, Pound for Pound sponsored dietathon and film nights. The new committee will discuss the ideas with the PTA and pick ideas to go forward with. Thanks to everyone for all ideas.
- Joanne Barnettson will shortly be placing a PTA suggestion box inside the school reception, next to the PTA noticeboard. If anyone has any event suggestions or fundraising ideas, these can be placed inside the box and all ideas will be looked at.

Date of next meeting: Monday 2nd November, 2pm.

All parents /Carers are welcome to attend. There's always cake so please pop along!