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Aston Rowant PTA

Minutes

24th January 2024

<p>Attendees: Amy Jones (AJ) - Chair Georgia Wilson (GW) – Chair Pippa Williams (PW) - Treasurer Liz Funnell (LF) – Secretary Dawn King (DK) Sophie Green (SG) Sarah Mooney (SM) Alanah Payne (AP) Rachel Campbell (RC) Jess (JE) Jen Brown (JB) Catherine (C)</p>	<p>Apologies: Helen France (HF) Clare Griffiths (CG) Rachelle Lytzen Cheryl Gregory Laura Purse Rebecca Young Jen Lupton Gemma Shepherd Clare Taylor Helen Birk Abi Tindall</p>
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- Welcome from chairs.
- Treasurer’s report:

To date, Autumn term update:

Raised	Spent	In the bank
£5379.90	£3550.37	£3060.86

A breakdown of the main profits include:

- Cake raffle: £352.00
- Autumn disco: £312.80
- Wreath making: £603.62
- Christmas cards: £195.00
- Christmas hampers/teas £819.79

Main costs to include: Christmas lunch at the Lambert Arms, the Pantomime (approx. 50% subsidised by parents), Father Christmas presents, mince pies and mulled wine at the Church service and the museum boxes.

Ipads spend: £4298.00 from last school year’s fundraising and a further £3500 this school year.

- Updates from last meeting and discussions:

Ipads:

Additional Ipads can be purchased for a discount in batches of 5 and better, 10. HF to confirm how many will be needed.

Piano:

A Grant of £1500 has been approved. Hopefully this will be a Kawai digital piano selected by CG and JH. School Bursar has agreed to purchase this allowing for VAT to be reclaimed.

Decking:

HF has suggested that money from other completed projects e.g toilets, may potentially be utilised for the decking.

Museum boxes:

These have been purchased ready to use for relevant topics in each class.

Kingston Blount village hall:

For information: We have an agreement from Andrea that they will charge the PTA a discounted rate of £10ph to run school fundraisers at the hall.

4. Fundraisers:

Science fayre:

CG to bring round a bucket to raise £2 per child, to purchase science equipment for Science Week. CG would like to complete the science purchases on the Teacher's wish lists. Perhaps to include a Bunsen burner, tripod and gauze for testing equipment. CG to look into whether or not a COSHH assessment is required first. Also to purchase Science Oxford membership for September.

Disco:

Requested a quote to outsource a glow party at Kingston Blount village hall. Awaiting a response.

Film night:

Agreed that this would preferably be run on the last day of term. Ideally the new Wish film with Hop as an alternative.

Easter Egg Hunt:

Could be run on the same day as the film night. Agreed that this could be open to siblings too, charged at £2 per sibling.

Parent's event:

Discussed the possibility of a 'boogie bingo'. We have Kingston Blount village hall booked for 23rd Feb, but it may be better to move this to the 22nd March, if there is availability. SJ happy to be the bingo caller. LF to see if the hall is available on this date.

Pancake day:

An after school pancake race was discussed for Tuesday 20th Feb.

5. Other suggestions to explore further:

- Barn dance – AJ to ask Alan Saw if we can use his barn.
- BBQ
- Lunchtime community enrichment – inviting elderly members of the community to play games with and read to the children. Children to make cakes and biscuits for the event. Potentially in the morning for 2 hours. To be discussed with HF.
- RC mentioned that she'd like our school to become more involved in inter school events e.g hockey, rugby, swimming, dance, cross country, where children can choose to opt in. As a small school, there is a staffing issue for such events. Is it possible for the parents to support these events instead? RC to discuss with HF.
- RC to see if any sports equipment etc is required to enhance the children's sports experience.
- Uniform sale – DK to confirm whether or not the end of March will be suitable for this. PW to provide DK with a vac pack for uniform storage.

Christmas 2024:

Christmas Fayre - discussed the possibility of a visiting Reindeer and for each class to run a stall/have a role at the fayre, and the possibility of running the fayre on a Saturday. Need to identify parents with small businesses that could pay to run a stall at the fayre. Selected 7th December to run the fayre. Pantomime (HF keen), PTA Christmas lunch to be provided alternatively with a school hall Christmas meal. Lunch to be discussed further at the next meeting.

Next meeting: Friday 19th April, School Hall, 9am.

Thank you for all of your support.

Kind regards,
The PTA Team.