



Grimsargh St Michael PTFA - Meeting Minutes

Monday 20th January 2020 – 7:30pm The Plough

Attendees: Babs, Kate, Lorna, Debby, Katherine, Helen and Val

Apologies: Suzanne, Tracy, Gemma, Debby and Alana

1. Opening Remarks

Thanks were passed on from both Mrs Ward and Mrs Garner for the Get Well cards.

The group agreed the focus would be to continue to aim for smaller more profitable events.

Debby agreed to provide closing 2019 bank balance – sent following the meeting and the figure is £3190.86.

2. PTFA Funds / Support in 2020

Reception Area Upgrade

Members discussed the PTFA funds that had been given to school for the upgrade of the Reception class outdoor area. Helen advised unfortunately some rain damage had occurred and therefore photos of the new equipment/area were not possible, however we agreed to include some words in next newsletter promotion. Also agreed to provide some further funds to support development of the area and Helen to hopefully ask Penny for before and after pictures so that we can use to show PTFA contributions to parents (and possibly encourage new members to the group). Group agreed £1000 to be given following the meeting.

Library Books

The group agreed to support KS1 and KS2 libraries and provide some funds to support library development. Helen agreed to try and seek before/after photos so we can use for promotion. Group agreed £1000 to be given following the meeting.

Other Potential Areas

- Babs advised that she had sent the science grant to Mrs Warburton and was awaiting feedback.
- Members also discussed the possibility of supporting the trim trail/play areas but Helen advised the school are funding this.

- Helen suggested it might be a good idea to pay for a visitor for curriculum development which is 'Dig deep', ie. a Historian speaker. Action: Helen to speak to Mrs Warburton and provide an indication of cost.
- Agreed to keep enough funds in our account for 2020 Pantomime, year 5 first aid and year 6 leavers meal which Debby confirmed post meeting cost £934.70 in 2019.

3. Upcoming Events

Gin Night

Action: Lorna agreed to contact Mick Gould 07800897956 – date options from school provided as: Thursday 27th Feb or Friday 28th Feb

Thursday 5th March or Friday 6th March.

Or Lorna to check any other dates if none of the above are possible and liaise back with Helen.

Action: Babs to check with Jane we are to proceed with booking.

Night to be held at school in the gym hall and members to provide fairy lights & music.

All agreed further meeting needed to finalise plans once date confirmed.

Easter Bingo

Helen confirmed date to be Thursday 2nd April and non-uniform to be Friday 27th March to donate chocolate/eggs as prizes. Katherine confirmed we can use Hannah's bingo machine. Action: Helen to ask Mr Brooks to be caller and also check if we have enough bingo books in the cupboard (to check how many we've got and what type to ensure they are all the same).

Break the rules day

All agreed a good idea and 50p donated for every rule broken. Date to be Friday 14th Feb. Teachers included!

Action: Babs to draft rules and Helen to mention to pre-school.

4. Fund Raising Ideas

- School Lottery - Uptake still low but still make a good profit. Agreed to continue.
- Christmas film night – agreed a success and to do again this year at the end of term and straight after school.
- Christmas decoration competition - to start planning in Nov. Action: all agreed to start looking now for decorations as may be able get in the sales.
- Grimsargh Does Christmas – Babs shared that if we can get more volunteers then we could make more money at this event in 2020 by doing a couple of games stalls to go with lucky dip.
- Cake or Doughnut Sale – seek donations or cheap and sell on for £1. Action: Babs to look into as an idea.
- Ice Pop Sale – all agreed when the weather is warmer to sell in the playground on a Friday and also to give out free ones for sports day.

Other Actions:

- Aldi sports kits – Helen to check with office. Could possibly photograph for newsletter to promote activities.
- PTFA Poster / promotion – to include upcoming events on one side and the school lottery details on the other to be issued out to all children/parents. Action: Babs to issue save the dates on FB.

Next meeting set for Monday 16th March 2020 @7:30pm at The Plough