



NORTH NEWTON COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

PTFA MINUTES

Date: Monday 17th January 2017

Time: 7pm

Location: North Newton School

In Attendance: Lee Jones (Chair), Morni Gauld (Secretary), Kathryn Long (Treasurer), Rachel Grant (Vice Chair), Nick Arnold (Headteacher), Helen Coker, Abby Taylor, Sarah Bult, Helen Barham, Mark Grindrod, Dean Quinn, Helen Hunter,

Apologies: Ceri-ann Whatley, Sue Stone

The Chair opened the meeting at 7pm and the Minutes of the previous meeting were discussed and approved.

MATTERS ARISING:

None.

Treasurer's Report:

INCOME:

Freezepops	Sleepover	Sale of Kiln to Andrew O'Connor	Christmas Raffle	Christmas Fayre
£33.54	£423.24	£200	£797.81	£1,230.40

EXPENDITURE:

100 Club	Christmas Trips	Lottery Registration Renewal	Christmas Gifts	PTFA Annual Subs
£200	£326.50	£20	£241.35	£63

The current a/c balance (as of 16th Jan'17) is £5,265.86

Current cash held: £22.86

Head Teacher's Report:

Christmas Period:- Another fantastic festive period of events - with everyone continuing to work hard and promote our school in the best possible light - and to raise much-needed funds.

Christmas Fayre - wonderful. Numbers seemed lower but the final funds were amazing.

Sing-Off better at Christmas Fayre than assembly. Only a small number for Carol Singing, but still lovely.

Theatre/Cinema Trips - great success but with costs of refreshments, perhaps parents should donate sweets?

Christmas Dinner - worked well in the school - thanks to all staff who helped out.

Thanks to the PTFA (Class Reps.) for buying and wrapping presents for the children. These were not opened at school, as helped ease the chaos at the end of term by avoiding doing this.

KS1 Play - brilliant and Thanks to the children, staff and parents for all doing their bit!

Carol Service - lovely event and Thank You to the children who took part. It was a community-focused service which was well-received...well done Rev. Eleanor! Thanks to Sue Stone, Ali Crow, Claire Larcombe and Vicky Marsh who also attended.

Spring Term:- the children have returned to school with renewed vigour - well done to staff who have worked hard preparing their classrooms and planning for the term ahead.

Staff Inset - on 3rd Jan was on Safeguarding, Child Protection, Fire Safety and Prevent (anti radicalisation and anti extremism).

Mid-year appraisal reviews - will take place throughout the school this half term.

KS1 Movie Evening - should be fun on Thurs 26th Jan. Thanks to Ali Crow and Heidi Tucker and to those members of PTFA who will attend and supervise.

100 Club - after discussions, the PTFA decided to have a year off running the 100 club, unless any willing volunteers are happy to take it on.

Music Evening - will be on 29th March at RBSC, with every class performing, along with some individual musicians being given their 'time to shine' also.

Targets for PTFA to decide which they wish to help fund:

Minibus - a grant has been submitted. Proposing approx. £5k - £8k to buy a decent 2nd hand bus.

Ipads - a further 16 ipads have been requested by staff, to make a total of 32. Purchase of a 32 ipad storage trolley would be necessary, but the 16-ipad one could be sold. Including installation, protection/guarantees - £7k.

Climbing Equipment - suggested replacement time is within 18 months. Have written to companies for sponsorship and have submitted a grant. Flooring will cost the most. Total approx. £8k.

Many Thanks to PTFA for their continued support and hard work in raising funds.

Chairperson's Report:

Thanks to PTFA, staff and all who were involved in helping at the Christmas Fayre, which was a great success.

The queue for Santa was quite long, so it was suggested that we re-instate time slots when people purchase their tickets, to ease congestion. It was also suggested that some of the food/drink could be located nearer Santa's grotto, to encourage more sales. Less tickets in the Tombolas to increase chances of winning.

Bottle Run is a great idea, but perhaps needs new ways to encourage bottles apart from water...perhaps a points system e.g. 40 points for a bottle of spirits, 20 points for wine, 10 points for fizzy drinks, 5 points for water, etc, so that the winning house is the highest total, rather than the longest line?

Perhaps more explanation of what is raised from each event and a breakdown of how those funds are then spent, to further highlight what the PTFA provide. Newsletter/Volunteer Form could be the best means to exhibit this information to the parents, although Treasurer's Reports, displaying basic info will be contained within meeting Minutes, which are put on the school website too.

FUNDRAISING:

Movie Night - Currently 29 signed up for this, with the deadline this Fri (20th). Kathryn Long, Rachel Grant and Nicky Contreras (parent) will help Mrs Crow and Mrs Tucker to run the event on the night. The film will be a U certificate. Interval half way through the film for refreshments.

Non Uniform Day - agreed that Mon 6th Feb would be our Non Uniform day this term (non uniform for Comic Relief in 2nd half of term). The theme will be to wear blue, to celebrate the Queen's 65th (Sapphire) anniversary of her accession to the throne. £1 per child, collected on the gate.

100 Club - after discussions, it was decided not to run the 100 club this year.

New Fundraising Ideas:-

Quiz - perhaps. Further discussion in the future.

Tuck Shop - not for now. Continue with Freezepops for Summer Term (rota needed).

School Calendar - investigations into costs of printing, with the idea that each class produces their own calendar, with class photos, to be sold at Xmas Fayre.

Funds to Orgs - money back for old shoes (similar to Bags 4 Schools which preschool participate in).

Cookbook - perhaps the children could submit recipes for a cookbook.

Nerf Guns - whilst he understood it was a fun idea, Nick Arnold deemed it unsuitable for a primary school (no shooting games/activities).

Teacher Forfeits - Committee liked the idea, but Nick Arnold was not keen. Will approach the other teachers, but was unlikely to agree.

AOB:

Volunteers sheet to go to parents. Helps us to identify who is willing to help and for what event.

Info about the PTFA and it's achievements to be included on this form. Discussed the possibility of awarding House Gems for child of those parents who do respond/volunteer.

Christmas Theatre Trips - PTFA to provide sweets/snacks for Xmas trips, as the cost of icecreams was deemed too excessive. Nick Arnold to investigate other local venues for Theatre trip for KS2. KS1 to a local cinema.

Easter Eggs - £1 per child. These to be purchased by Class Reps. Request made for 'decent' chocolate e.g. Cadbury.

Easter Disco - Fri 31st March. 6pm - 7.45pm. Hotdog/drink incl. in price of ticket? Sell sweets too?

<u>ACTION TO BE TAKEN:</u>	<u>PERSON TO ACTION:</u>	<u>AGREED ACTION DATE:</u>
Volunteer Sheet to be produced and given to Ros for distribution in bookbags.	Rachel Grant	By NCM (6th March)
Easter Disco posters/dietary needs forms/tickets to be produced.	Morni Gauld	By Fri 3rd Feb
Easter Eggs to be purchased.	Class Reps.	By Mon 27th March
Class Teachers to be approached about Calendars.	Nick Arnold	By NCM
Staff to be approached about Teacher Forfeits	Nick Arnold	By NCM
Sue Stone to be approached about Cookery Book.	Nick Arnold	By NCM
Printing costs for Calendar to be sought.	Sarah Bult	By NCM
Freezpop rota to be produced	Morni Gauld	By End of Term

* NCM - Next Committee Meeting.

DATE OF NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

MONDAY 6TH MARCH @ 7PM

There being no further business, The Chair closed the meeting at 8.45pm.