

Minutes of the PTA meeting held on

26th January 2017

Present: Elaine, Sned, Julie Francis, Paul Heery, Emma Heydon, Tereasa, Clare, Emily, Bethany, Owen, Melissa, Cathy and Charlotte

Apologies: Jane Walker, Colin Morley and Jo Cooper

We welcomed Owen, Emily and Bethany to the group; they are the college students who will be helping to promote the PTA to college students and also assist the PTA in running events. They informed us of the forthcoming fund raising activities they are already involved with to help raise funds for their prom. The events included “raise the roof” event at Alderman White and a parachute jump. We asked if they had any ideas of events they would like us to organise for them, but they felt it is quite hard to get college students involved, they would however ask around and feedback any suggestions at future meetings.

We discussed the Christmas party which raised £246. It was felt that the bouncy castles really didn't bring anything extra to the event and we have therefore decided that in future we will just have a disco. Owen will ask Ben Hobson a former student who has his own DJ business if he would be willing to do the disco for us. This year's Christmas disco has been booked for 18.12.2017. We will also look to provide some food at the disco along with more party games as the children did enjoy them. Also each year group this year were asked if they could raise £5 to help go towards the event, we will see if we can get the tutor group leaders more on board with this idea.

Christmas cards- Melissa did a fabulous job with the Christmas card project, this raised £217 and we will definitely look to do it again this year and may expand this to produce cards which the school could buy and use.

Easter egg tombola- Sned and Tereasa are happy to run the tombola on Wednesday 22nd March 2017 over the lunchtime period. Elaine to ask for donations of Easter eggs on the newsletter, Sned also has a begging letter to local companies to request donations.

Any leftover tombola will be used for the Dance Festival on Wednesday 22nd March 2017 this starts at 6pm, the PTA will be providing soft drinks for the event. The college students will be running a cake stall, the proceeds from this will be split 50/50 between the college students and the PTA. Owen, Bethany and Emily will be co-ordinating the cake stall.

The PTA have agreed to provide £250 towards the Inspire points system at The Bramcote School, Cathy will arrange this with Paul Heery.

Julie Francis has arranged at Alderman White a "grow a tenner" scheme. Each tutor group are given £10 and they have to do fund raising activities which will make money. She said it has been very successful, especially with an element of competition. Emma and Julie will happily co-ordinate this at The Bramcote School.

Fashion Show- This is already booked for Friday 5th May doors open at 6.30 with the show starting at 7pm.

Emma and the college students will co-ordinate the models required for the evening. We felt it might be nice to have students perform on the piano as people come into the show rather than at the end as

everyone is talking and trying garments on towards the end of the night. The PTA will provide a raffle; Sned already has the begging letters to send out to local companies for prizes. We will also provide a bar and hot and cold drinks for the evening along with a tombola if we get enough donations. We have lots of helpers Cathy, Charlotte, Julie, Tereasa, Elaine, Jane, Clare, Melissa, Emma, Sned, Bethany and Emily, please be aware that we will need to stay at the end to help clear the clothes away. Everyone please promote the event as much as possible and get selling those tickets. Sned has done posters and tickets which will be on sale at the main reception. We also require more full length mirrors if anyone has any spare that they could bring on the night. Julie is also going to speak with her contact about savoury snacks for the evening.

It was decided to have a further meeting on Thursday 16.3.17 at the college site at 6pm to discuss the summer celebration event.

Elaine will arrange for the newsletter to be updated with the forthcoming events and dates.