



## Marsh Gibbon CE Primary School PTA Minutes of the Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2017

### **In attendance:**

Fiona Tayler	Philip Blazdell	Andrea Healy
Katie Blazdell	Liz Bruce-Kelly	Karen Mac
Jayne Sinclair	Claire Scott	Verity Davis
Karen Barber		

### **Apologies:**

Claudia Copithorne	Katy Kelly	Sheila Kronfeld
Louise Mew	Sarah Reveler	

### **Matters arising from previous minutes**

None

### **Chairperson's Report**

Would like to thank all those who took part in the maintenance morning. It was good to see so many people there.

### **Headteacher Report**

- **Library:** The Ewelme Trust has donated some money for books and e- readers, and a booking system. Request for the PTA to donate £1,500.00 towards the cost of furniture. The application to the Foyle Foundation was rejected.
- **Resource room:** The resource room and the learning pod can both stay. If the price is reasonable, the resource room building may be reconditioned.
- **Learn Pads:** The new school IT provider has suggested other tablet options.
- **Lost property:** The lost property items should be made available for viewing. Unclaimed items may be donated to Merry-Go-Round.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- £9660.65 in the bank.
- The monthly charge from CAF bank is to cover administration costs.
- Suggests that the fundraising committee (Andrea Healy) research scratch cards as a means of fundraising.

## **PTA UPDATE:**

**Target:** We are aiming to raise £10,000 from fundraising this year. Please send potential fundraising ideas to Andrea Healy.

Back to School Disco feedback. This turned out to be an enjoyable event. Thanks to everyone who helped organise. It was a successful evening that raised more than £200.00 for the school. The Plough Inn function room was an ideal venue.

*Addendum from Fiona Tayler: Thank you to the Bruce-Kelly family for designing and providing tickets and posters for the event.*

## **Programme of events:**

- **Art Show:** 15 June 2017
- **Pig Roast:** 7<sup>th</sup> July 2017. New team. KB to provide JS with her email address. The pig needs to be paid for. The Adele Peters Performing Art School (APPAS) will provide a workshop-style activity. The inflatables will come from APPAS.
- **Sports Day:** 13<sup>th</sup> July 2017
- **Marsh Gibbon Beer Festival and family fun day:** 16<sup>th</sup> September 2017. LBK has agreed that the school will run activities and possibly entertainment such as The Peace Child performance for two hours in the afternoon.

## **Fundraising suggestions**

- **School Disco (children) and film nights**
- **Disco (adults)**
- **Sport-themed family fun day**
- **Kids on the Catwalk**
- **Quiz Night**

## **AOB**

- PTA support – Ask the question to parents about what it would take for them to get involved with supporting the PTA.
- New parent/Butterfly class transition – Ideas were discussed about how to make this easier for children and their parents such as a stay-and-play session and a session for new parents to meet existing butterfly parents to share questions. JS and KB to coordinate. The Merry-go-Round stall will be available at the forthcoming new parents meeting where we also hope to present what the PTA does, and what we hope to achieve next.
- Clothes recycling bin - The Salvation Army is changing the way it calculates the weight of the clothes and other items collected from the school to a matrix system that tracks the value of secondhand textiles. The new school gate system will not allow people to drop off clothes outside of school hours.
- Swimming pool. The provision of swimming at the school was ranked of third highest importance by parents in the recent survey (completed by 40 out of 90 families) but it is costly. We discussed ways of helping the school fund the cost.

Meeting closed: 9.40pm.

THE NEXT MEETING IS THE AGM **September 20th, 2017**

7.45 FOR 8.00PM AT THE SCHOOL

EVERYONE IS INVITED SO PLEASE COME ALONG!