



**Parent Teacher Association**  
**PTA Membership Number 16317**  
**Registered Charity Number 1161458**

**Minutes of meeting on meeting 21 March 2023 7.30-8.30**

**Present:** Caroline Muir (CM), Rebecca Kelly (RK), Wieke Eringa (WE), Lorna Miall (LM), Laura Foster Westgarth (LFW), Shona Frost (SF), Hayley Darby-Brown (HDB), Susie Gourlay (SG), Jenna Doyle (JD), Rekha Padmakumar (RP), Charlotte Marsden (CM)

**Apologies:** Jessica Butterworth (JB) Richard Spencer (RS), Gemma Burgess (GB)

**1. Fundraising for the forthcoming year**

CM updated us following her recent conversation with CW. The PTA has the school's full support. All events welcome, except any gambling events, such as race nights. Fundraising goals – new kit for football team; development of green space outside.

Schools lottery discussed. It was universally agreed this was a great way of raising funds. CM to look into.

**PTA Events and fundraising**

**Current events**

- School Summer (July) and Christmas Fairs (December) – both great fundraisers and brilliant for school community.
- Sports Day refreshments (July)
- Freeze pop Friday (Each Friday after school during last half of summer term)
- Parent Quiz night (usually in Autumn term, hired quiz master previously (£200) & cost of refreshments, but again, a great fund raiser and much enjoyed parent social)
- Parent's murder mystery evening – only run once previously in 2019 (May?), but a great event.
- Family Barbecue night (June?) – usually in summer term, but success often weather dependent.
- Easter eggs given to children (Easter!)
- Easter egg decorating competition
- Leaver's hoodies (CW hasn't sent us the invoice for last year's hoodies – to chase)
- Second hand uniform sale (no fixed dates)
- Easy fundraising link
- Christmas Cards
- Tea towels
- Bake sales (usually a couple of times per year in addition to Christmas and summer fair)
- Valentines poem / picture

- Halloween spooky picture / pumpkin decorating picture

#### **New ideas**

- School scarecrow walk – families decorate their own scarecrow and put them in front gardens. Get local businesses to sponsor each scarecrow (with a small plaque advertising their business in front of scarecrow, suggested sponsor amount of £30/£40 per scarecrow). Map produced so families can walk around a view scarecrows. Return to school for BBQ / tuck shop / refreshments.
- Family event at Brownlee triathlete track. It is possible to hire the track (for around £100) and then kids can seek sponsorship for going round the track on their bike. We can sell family tickets for people to watch the kids.
- CM mentioned there is a facebook PTA ideas group which she has joined.
- Coronation celebration – suggested looking at buying children a ‘Coronation’ bookmark as a keepsake of the event. Possibly an afternoon tea for children to celebrate?
- Summer fair – possibly look at getting a bouncy castle given we have the green space to use this year? JD to investigate. Ask JLT for their views on what they would like at the summer fair?
- Cultural events?
- Worldbook day – on those years where the children don’t dress up, could children choose to come into school in their pyjamas and bring a teddy? CM to speak to CW.

## **2. Finance Update**

Balance as at 15/11/22: Nominal account £6637.65

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Lorna noted that Barclays at Moortown is closing. This will present a challenge in terms of obtaining floats for stalls and depositing funds. Can we consider other options? Could we use another bank for floats (Halifax or Virgin) or use contactless.

RK mentioned contactless solutions specifically for charities: [www.donations.com](http://www.donations.com) and [www.goodbox.com](http://www.goodbox.com). Both require enquiries to be made for pricing. Possibly consider ‘advance’ purchase tickets for fairs (although removes lucrative pester power buying!).

## **3. Next meeting:**

**Summer fair planning meeting: 18 April 2023 at 7.30pm.**