



Meeting minutes

17th Jan 2022

Present: Cassie Bodman-Knight, Katy Frost, Natalie Davis, Sharon Radcliffe, Kerry Morris, Nicole Ruby, Steve Hunkin, Karlene Knight, Sally-Anne Balding, Emmet Swinburn.

Apologies: Els, Claire, Michelle, Rachel, Krist.

1. Christmas fayre – successful event in 2021.

Suggestions for next year:

- Teddies – bring a certain number out for each year group to ensure there is availability for all.
- Teddy stall – Not all numbers to be winning tickets so it isn't win every time.
- Start at 2pm and invite parents from 3pm. It was suggested that it would be worth having the parents with the younger children to help them understand the stalls they were paying for.

2. Wreath making workshop– repeat next year. Katy to contact Lynne or Emma nearer the time.

3. Carols on the playground – good feedback, successful event. It was noted that the socket in the lamp post was not working so will need to be fixed. Cassie will ask electrician when next on site to investigate.

4. Finance summary since last meeting (2nd Nov 21). See Treasurers account summary.

5. Tuck shop to replace cake stall given the COVID situation. Taking place on Thursday. To see how this one goes and aim to repeat, possibly on 2nd Feb. The pre-loved uniform rail can also be brought out at the same time.

6. 28th Jan – Break the rules day – **being postponed due to staffing levels/covid numbers.**

7. Bingo night – To postpone for a few weeks due to COVID. Aim to reschedule for 4th March.

The bingo calling machine is from the Mawsley Centre and we will need to request to borrow it – Katy & Jen to sort.

8. Penny wars – The plan was for Dan to make the device and Emmet to paint. Katy will chase this up.

9. National schools lottery – Sharon to sort.
10. Supermarket grants – Mrs Mehta taking a lead on this. Aiming to apply for the Co-op grants (open for applications until April?). Also possibly the Tesco Community Grants, but these have a 12-18 month lead time. Katy & Sharon meeting with Mrs Mehta to get the plans started.
11. Spending – Mrs B-K advises the school has not yet purchased the playtime games but will do soon, and that several thousand will go on the outside area.
- Any links to garden centres to be investigated to see if we can get funding or help.
 - The aim is to start on the outdoor area asap so all year groups who have raised money for it will see some benefit from it.
12. Next fundraising ideas:
- 22/2/22 – many schools fundraising around the idea of the number 22 on this date. Katy suggested that the children could aim to raise between £2.22 and £20.22 during half term. What they have to do may need to be narrowed down to a shortlist. Claire may also have ideas for this.
 - Easter Raffle – sell tickets on the playground each day after school during the week commencing 28th March. Draw the raffle on last day of term.
 - Teddy Bears’ picnic – as there will be a Queen’s jubilee picnic, this will be postponed until next year.
13. Mother’s Day ideas – Kerry suggested a coffee morning/afternoon tea, served by the children. It could be held outside if the weather is good. Each class could also sing/perform, as could the Young Voices.
- After the meeting it was confirmed that tickets at Kerry’s school were £5, and a possible takeaway option was discussed for parents who couldn’t be there or if COVID is an issue.
14. Leavers hoodies – Katy to message Jen Davidson to see if she will lead on this. **Jen has confirmed.**
15. PACT committee – at the end of the year Claire is leaving (vice treasurer), but will hopefully remain in a volunteering capacity. Nicole has offered to take on this position- to put herself forward at the next AGM in the next academic year. Sharon will then be leaving the following year so the Treasurer role will be available. The vice-secretary role is also vacant. Natalie offered to take on this position. **Had advice from Parentkind- Natalie to take on this role but not in an official capacity (ie. She will not be a Trustee but can have voting rights). She can then be voted in at the next EGM or AGM, & become a Trustee.**

Katy is looking to step down at the end of May. Currently no offers to take over as Chair, any volunteers? Katy advised she would be happy to be Vice-chair if someone else can take on the Chair role.

Rather than have one person oversee and organise everything, it needs to be broken down into different activities and each have a lead. Eg. Someone to organise the tuck shop, someone to organise the discos. Nicole offered to organise/prepare the Tuck shop but unable to help with the stall on Wednesdays.

16. Disco – 31st March (Thurs)

Ideally someone needs to lead this. Katy to start organising and several offers of assistance but no-one currently offering to lead. Any volunteers please? Steve, Sally-Anne, Kerry, Natalie offered to help with prep.

To do:

- Contact supermarkets to ask for pizza donations & arrange collection.
- Organise food shopping list.
- Book a DJ.
- Katy has Easter bracelets, etc for stall so no more stock required (purchased pre-covid!).
- Sharon has a box of glow bunny ears.

17. Suggestions:

Steve suggested year 6 could run the tuck shop. Mrs B-K discussed what was done at her old school, where popcorn was sold during break time. KS2 buy popcorn on the playground and KS1 order and give money to the teacher, with the order delivered. It gives the option to limit to one bag per person and make it one less event for PACT to run. Something similar could run once per month. Mrs B-K will discuss with the year 6 teacher.

18. Gazebos – Previously 7 pop-up gazebos bought and 5 quickly broke. 2 remain. Katy to look up whether the remaining gazebos are waterproof, as wrap around sand weights were suggested to stabilise them if required, but this is only useful if they are waterproof.

Investing in one market stall grade gazebo per year was also suggested due to their cost.

Katy will message on the Whats App group chat to arrange the next meeting (possibly Zoom again if Covid numbers are still high).