



Minutes Hawes Community Primary School PTFA Meeting

Monday 12th October 2015 8.00pm in The Fountain Hotel

Present: Katie Iveson (Chair), Carol Hall, Anna Fagg (Secretary), Sandra Bell (treasurer), Edie Peacock, Emma Guy, Joanne Fothergill, Kathy Lewin, Louise Cloughton, Di Sunter, Di Burton, Jackie Smith, Fiona Magill, Edie Peacock

Apologies: Nicola Heseltine, Louise Alder, Toni Martin-Chambers, Natalie Whyte, Hazel Thwaite, Mrs Dooley, Charlotte Sowerby

Christmas Fair:

A number of parents have come forward to offer help after advertising in the newsletter. We briefly discussed the numbers needed to man the 'regular' stalls and it was decided that there are enough of us to go ahead with the glitter face painting Natalie talked about at the last meeting. Anna will talk to Natalie to confirm she is happy to oversee this and check if she needs any supplies.

Trade stalls – there are 11 interested and all booking forms have been sent out. 2 are confirmed bookings with deposits paid. It was suggested it might be a nice gesture to offer a stall to Mrs Eldridge for the charity work she continues to do. Anna will speak to Mrs Dooley about contacting her. Miss Magill will check to see if school would like a stall as in previous years.

Anna will dig out the letter about returning raffle tickets for Louise. Sandra will check with Gwen about making mulled wine for us again (and offer to pay for ingredients). Jo will contact various local 'family attractions' and ask for donations of raffle prizes. Di will check with school about making mince pies again for be sold on the night. Everyone agreed to start collecting empty screw top bottle – we can club together with Dalesplay for their Christmas fair on the 15th Nov. Jo said bottles can be stored at Dalesplay.

Any other Business:

Anna presented a draft of the letter she was asked to write to the governors at the last meeting.

Miss Magill spoke on behalf of Mrs Dooley and said that a rota had been put in place meaning there will now be a teacher representative at all meetings. She also expressed her personal interest in coming to more meetings and we would like to offer a warm welcome to her!, It was agreed by all present that we would not send the letter to the governors at this stage. A copy of the letter has been added to the minutes book and Miss Magill also took a copy back for school.

Miss Magill will check with school as to whether the letter for 'new' parents has ever gone out.

With regard to the forecast of funds requested at the last meeting – Mrs Dooley sent the following information:

No money would be required for swimming this year and thanks were sent for our contribution last year.

A contribution of £5 per child towards the pantomime will equate to £585 – already agreed

The residential trip = approx. £1500

Other class trips = 5 @ around £250 each

Also the treats for the children at Christmas/Easter and for the Panto

It was asked to be noted that we don't want the school not to ask us for funding, that is after all what we're here for, and we are happy to support them in any way we can!

Given the above predictions it was decided that fundraising could stay at a similar level to last year.

Fundraising Ideas:

We have been approached by Little Darlings Clothing offering a fundraising opportunity through a fashion show/clothes sale. Full details were presented and it was decided this would be a great thing to do. Anna will speak to Louise Alder about when the summer range will be available and try to pencil something in for around Easter time.

Katie offered the idea of taking part in the Bainbridge Motor Club car rally at the beginning of April. This is an event arranged by the Bainbridge Motor Club but there is an opportunity for a local charity to raise money for themselves by hosting a raffle on the evening. We would have to prove a prize/prizes for the raffle and agree to take part in the rally

but then we would get the proceeds and profit from the raffle. All agreed this was also a great idea (especially seen as we don't have to organise it!!), Katie will write a letter of application to BMC.

The Hoppers sale was discussed and although we have struggled for helpers on the day in the past, it was decided that this is too good a fundraising opportunity to miss so we would apply again this year. Carol offered to do this.

The school are now in possession of the Caterpillar Card packs arranged by Joanne. Children design their own Christmas cards which parents can buy and the PTFA receives £1 per pack sold.

It was suggested that we combine the Pie & Pea supper discussed at a previous meeting with a bingo night. Jackie offered The Pantry as a venue and has kindly said she will provide the food at cost. She will check costings before a ticket price is confirmed but it was suggested somewhere in the region of £5 per adult and £3 per child. A date was set for Friday the 4th March 2016.

We discussed a disco for the children – Gala have already planned one for Valentines so Miss Magill suggested hosting a 'Snow Ball' just after Christmas. Everyone agreed this is likely to be a huge hit with the kids! A date was set for Friday 15th January. Emma will speak to Alison about borrowing the Gala disco lights etc. We will need to organise refreshments nearer the time. Katie will try and arrange glow bands/sticks again.

Appointment of Treasurer:

Diane Sunter has come forward and offered to take on the role of treasurer.

Proposed – Emma Guy

Seconded – Joanne Fothergill

Di S will sort out signatories on the bank account. Joanne will come off to make space for Di leaving the signatories as – Hazel Thwaite, Andrea Caygill, Sandra Bell and Diane Sunter

Date of Next Meeting:

Monday 9th November 2015, 8pm in The Fountain

Meeting closed 10pm