



Minutes Hawes Community Primary School PTFA Meeting

Monday 28th September 2015 8.45pm in The Board Hotel

Present: Carol Hall (Parent/Governor), Hazel Thwaite (Acting Chair), Anna Fagg (Secretary), Sandra Bell (treasurer), Edie Peacock, Emma Guy, Toni Martin-Chambers, Natalie Whyte, Joanne Fothergill, Kathy Lewin, Louise Cloughton,

Apologies: Katie Iveson, Nicola Hesletine, Di Burton, Jackie Smith, Emma Blades, Louise Alder, Di Sunter

Christmas Fair:

Confirmation of the date – Friday 27th November 2015 from 6.30pm in the school hall

Anna and Carol will oversee trade stalls. These will be charged at £10 per table. We will use booking forms and ask for pre-payment as we did last year to avoid losing money from no-shows. Traders can arrive from 5pm to set up. There is no need to ask for multi sports to be cancelled as we managed fine last year setting up from 4.30pm.

Louise offered to coordinate the distribution and return of raffle tickets. She will also arrange printing of 1500 from Wensleydale press and obtain a list of students from Dawn. Tickets £1 each, two books per child to be sent out before October half term. £100 1st Prize, £50 2nd + many other prizes.

Kathy will oversee donations of prizes from local businesses. Anna will print out list of donators from previous years and bring to next meeting.

Kathy will produce poster and distribute.

Carol will ask Les if we can borrow market hall tables and Joanne kindly offered Mike's services to move them on the day.

Anna will arrange advertising in the Upper Wensleydale Newsletter and Hazel will sort out an advert for The D&S Times.

The cake competition that is usually held on the morning of the Christmas Fair was briefly discussed and it was decided that, due to lack of available space on that particular day, perhaps we should hold this at a different time of year. All present agreed.

Natalie suggested offering some sort of craft activity for the children to make a gift on the evening – we also discussed face painting/glitter tattoos. It was decided that we would have to try and get an idea of who can help on the evening before deciding what stalls/activities to offer. Anna will put a piece in the newsletter and on our facebook page asking for helpers before the next meeting.

Any other Business:

At the end of last term Anna received two letters of thanks from Year 6 students regarding their residential trip to Robin Wood. These were circulated for everyone to read.

It was discussed that we could maybe ask the school for a prediction of the 'requests for funding' they anticipate making this school year. This will enable us to produce a budget forecast and give us a better idea of what fundraisers we will have to plan for the next 12 months. Anna will contact Mrs Dooley and request this.

Joanne offered to approach Mrs Dooley about doing the student designed Christmas Cards again this year.

A discussion was held around our concerns over the future of the PTFA. The current committee members were feeling quite demoralised about the constant battle to attract new active members. They also stated a desire to have a representative from the school present at their meetings.

Anna will once again try to recruit some new members via the newsletter.

Date of Next Meeting:

Monday 12th October 2015, 8pm in The Fountain (location to be confirmed)

Meeting closed 9.30pm