

## **Probus Primary School PTA Minutes 30/09/2024**

**Attending:** Emma, Abi, Chris, Ryan, Mrs Praed, Mrs Jones, Rosie, Lisa, Ben, Will , Zoe, Fleur, Sophie & Sara

**Apologies:** Rachel, Demelza, Natalie, Amy

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from 9<sup>th</sup> September all good, no issues raised.

**Financial report:** £137.53 from Asda, if we can reach £154 from Asda it will cover the cost of Parentkind which includes our insurance and public liability costs.

**Update from Mrs Praed:** Sign up for school increasing. Good start to term, working hard on attendance, developing writing in curriculum. Working on extending offer for more for two year olds. Developing dedicated two year old space, very fortunate that the school can support this.

**Chair update:** Nothing significant to add since last meeting as it was quite recent. Chris asked about sorting uniform in the reception, keep on top of refreshing. Sara has kindly offered to take this on, Emma will show Sara where the additional uniform is kept.

**Halloween Disco:** helpers are:

**KS1** Zoe, Will, Rosie, Amy, Rob, Jen, Sophie and Ben

**KS2** Will, Abi, Rosie, Amy, Zoe, Ben, Abi, Chris, Emma, Beth, Natalie, Claire B, Rachel and Naomi

Fleur seeing if Kayleigh and Jenna can do nails and glitter tattoos.

Stalls from last year – Pumpkin pong, pumpkin patch, pick a treat, pocket money stall, Monster match, feelie boxes, splat the bat, hot dogs.

All happy with the above suggestions

DJ in place costs £165

Lots of decorations and sweets, going to get a few more sweets. Rosie is kindly sorting, will also source vegan and gluten free.

Will asked about setting up. Chris confirmed it is as before and the PTA will set up.

Zoe sorting out hotdogs, will get £150 and will sell left over to Lisa for Probus Players

Assigning names to stalls:

Hotdogs – Zoe & Rachel (will supply veggie as well). Discussion about gluten free sausages, Mrs Praed will check how many children are gluten free and if they are attending. Decision made to advise any children who are gluten free to bring their own snack if required as the hot dog isn't included in the ticket price.

Glitter & Nails – Fleur checking if Kayleigh and Jenna can do it. Also Claire B can do KS2.

Feelie Boxes – Sophie KS1, using pumpkins for boxes, Natalie KS2

Take the Pick – Ben

Lisa will fix the Take the Pick box

Monster Munch – KS2 Emma

Splat a Bat – Rob

Tattoos – Jen

Pumpkin Pong – Will

Refreshments – Beth, Rosie & Amy

Set up 2pm – Abi, Jenny, Emma, Zoe, Rosie, Chris

Chris confirmed it is a no mask disco

PTA will have use of Y5 & Y6 classrooms at the disco as well as the hall for the actual disco.

Tickets sales slow at the minute, anticipate it will pick up nearer the time.

Sophie asked if reception can come, Chris clarified they can. There will be a reminder, it has also been added to the year groups Whatsapp etc.

**Cauliflower Cards:** Chris asks 'do we want to them'? Brings in about £120/30. Some parents/guardians find it a pain to do at home but tricky to organise in school in October. Sara recommended using someone and will check who it was and feedback. Mrs P mentions she doesn't want additional admin for Lois, Sara said all the admin was parent led.

Zoe suggested we send them home to do instead of at school. The decision was made that the cards will be done at home not in school.

**Christmas Fair:** 5<sup>th</sup> December date confirmed. 29<sup>th</sup> November non uniform day. CiN also in November, not normally non uniform so fine to do both. Raffle donation prizes need sorting. Fleur said Rob can donate beer, Probus Players can donate tickets to panto. Fleur will ask companies for donation gifts. Mrs Praed can put something in the news letter to see if anyone works for companies that can donate. Lisa suggest making a hamper from bits brought up by the kids. Ryan suggests the year groups possibly do the hampers. Fleur asks 'do we need to put the prizes on the tickets?' Chris 'no just general prizes'

Chat about anyone knowing anyone from alcohol companies. Ryan will ask The Rising Sun if they have anything.

Sara can ask Seasalt for donation. Sara can also ask at a couple of other companies she has contacts with.

Chris has bought a cuddly giant Elf, suggest a name the Elf game.

Santa's Grotto, very long queue any way of changing this? Mrs Praed suggested asking KS1 to come in early.

Abi suggested Father Christmas comes in through the day to visit class. Sophie suggested time slots.

Need to find a Father Christmas. Also need to find a way to make the children's visits work better on the day.

Chris suggests stalls/shopping room. 'Elfridges'. Rosie mentioned it got too expensive. Where would we get the merchandise from? Sophie suggests Temu.

Chris asked about matched funding – Will asks what this and Chris explains bigger companies match the funding. Companies can only do it once a year. Does anyone work for anyone that can help? Chris and Abi looking in to this. Zoe said they aren't paying out until after April.

Mrs Praed suggested Awards for All, and also CIL funding.

Chris mentioned the next event after Christmas isn't until April, shall we do another event? Sophie suggested cheese night, quiz, adult only event.

Fleur suggested curry and quiz. Zoe suggested the village hall, Sophie said it gets really busy.

Chris suggested the pub.

Fleur looking into dates for village hall after panto week. Looking at booking February the 7<sup>th</sup> for Probus Primary PTA Quiz night.

Fleur and Nat quiz master. Tables/team of six, sell the table. Cash prize? Fleur will ask the Indian restaurant.

Will suggests Father Christmas flying past in a helicopter? Gets a big yes from everyone! Weather permitting.

**Next PTA 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 6pm at Comrades Club.**