

Minutes: Whittingham PTA and Friends

Monday 22nd January 2018

Present: Belinda Athey (BA – Head teacher) Louise Hodgson (LH-Chair), Emma Manners (EM-Treasurer), Tina Wynne (TW- Secretary), Sue Parker (SP), Gemma Woods (GW)

1. Apologies: Sophia Chinn

2. Minutes of last meeting: Agreed correct

3. Matters Arising: None

4. Treasurers Report

BA to send EM updated Maths order otherwise all up to date.

5. Fundraising Ideas

5.1 Easter Bingo - LH suggested another bingo night after the success of the previous one last year. To be aimed more for the kids and held in Whittingham Village Hall. EM to check availability, book hall and confirm suggested date of Friday 16th March, time 5-7pm. Fish & Chips will be available to buy from the van like last time. Prizes of Easter Eggs to be given. Any help on the night would be appreciated and kindly welcomed.

5.2 Summer Fete – LH suggested a bigger event to take place in the summer. A family fun day in the school grounds filled with games such as tug of war, rounders, 5 a side football Pony rides – anyone with a pony who is happy to help please advise.

Ideally a smaller pony for the younger ones and a pony for the older kids. Car Boot sale also suggested to be held in the car park outside the Hall. Refreshments/cake stall to be in the Hall. Possible Candy Cart, SP to ask Emmy. LH to find out from Slaters regarding Rides/Bouncy Castle and other items on offer.

Disco Man also offers different packages. LH to find out prices. We will need lots of help in the run up to this event and on the day so any ideas welcome and help will be greatly appreciated. Jobs will be allocated to people in the next meeting. Date of event TBC however looking at Saturday 7th July depending on Hall availability etc. Entry fee of £2 pp.

5.3 Movie Nights – LH on behalf of GH-J suggested a movie night. BA pointed out there being tricky issues with ages and different movies for all. Maybe having a movie night every so often when a blockbuster is released such as Paddington 2 that would suit all ages. To be discussed further.

6. Any other business

6.1 Survey – EM suggested a survey to be handed out to all parents to complete, asking what the thoughts on PTA or monthly payments to school, what parents like/don't like of the events we hold and if events are to be more socially beneficial to the kids and adults or if they should be more

directed at fundraising or a treat for the kids. LH to draft up a survey in the next week or so with final copy to be sent by 2nd February.

6.2 Family Sponsored Walk – EM came up with an idea of a family sponsored walk. Initially the idea was a possible beach walk, one example being from Dunstanburgh to Craster. However transport was an issue and how to return to the start. A smaller roundtrip walk possibly based around Ingram valley with Ice Cream or some sort of treat at the end as an incentive for the kids!

6.3 Duck Race/BBQ – BA suggested a duck race at Ingram Valley, can also take your own disposable BBQ/picnic. Could be another fun family day/afternoon.

Meeting closed at 3pm

Next meeting Monday 5th March at 2.15pm in School