

## Minutes: Whittingham PTA and Friends

Monday 16th September 2019

Present: Belinda Athey (BA – Headteacher) Louise Hodgson (LH-Chair), Gemma Woods (GW-Vice Chair), Sophia Chinn (SC – Treasurer), Emma Manners (EM), Tina Wynne (TW- Secretary), Elizabeth Knox (EK), Toni Marsden (TM)

**1. Apologies:** Julia Dods (JD), Nicola Wood (NW)

**2. Minutes of last meeting:** Agreed correct

**3. Treasurers Report:** £950 in the Bank

**4. Election of offices:** Chairman - Louise Hodgson, Vice Chairman - Gemma Woods, Treasurer - Sophia Chinn, Secretary - Tina Wynne

### **5. Fundraising Ideas:**

1. **Pop up Shop** - Date to be confirmed but in the meantime please would you contact either NW or JD should you have any household items, toys, books etc for the shop. (Please no clothing). BA to potentially arrange for the Y5 and Y6 pupils to help in the shop, depending on bus timetables and taking the pupils to and from Alnwick. In recent years we have held a Christmas Shop in school for all pupils to have the chance to buy 2 gifts each for family and friends, this year the pupils will have the chance to come into the Pop up shop and do this. KS2 and upwards will have the chance to do this while the pop up shop is open, KS1 will come in once the pop up shop has closed and Early Years will have their Christmas Shop in school. Mince Pies and Mulled Wine will be served and any donations will be welcome. TW to look into purchasing a card machine for this and future PTA events.
2. **Christmas Fayre** - The PTA is delighted to welcome a school Christmas Fayre which will be open to the public. This event will be held in the School on Friday 8th November between 6 and 8pm, please put in your diaries so we can make this a special affair. We will be inviting local businesses to sell their products so it will be a great opportunity to do some early Christmas Shopping and to get into the Festive spirit! So far we have the amazing Hannah Hubb with her Pop & Flo business, selling affordable gifts, such as jewellery and other accessories and jumpers, the wonderful Coco & Alice Boutique selling affordable second hand clothing so a great chance to pick up some party outfits and pressies! Also confirmed are Todburn soaps, which are made using Goats Milk. There will be much much more on offer as well as a PTA stall selling homemade produce so please advise if you are able to make anything such as chutneys, jams, cakes etc ... We will also be having a Raffle with some amazing prizes from our local sellers and businesses. If there is anyone who knows a local business that would like to hold a stall/table the cost of this would be a £10 contribution and a raffle donation. Help on the night would also be greatly

appreciated so if you can help please advise a member of the pta. Mince Pies and Mulled Wine will be on offer. Any questions please ask a member of the PTA.

3. **Bag Packing Morrisons** – Date confirmed for Saturday 14th December so please put in your diaries. This will be a chance to raise money for the School as we did previously and also to feel the Festive spirit and wear your favourite Christmas jumper!
4. **Valentines Disco** – Date suggested Thursday 13th February before school breaks up for half term. EM to check with Hall availability before date is confirmed. LH to book Disco Man.
5. **Easter Bingo** - Another family fun event! Date to be confirmed but most likely before the Easter Break.
6. **Football Cards** - SC to enquire with EH.

#### **6. Any Other Business:**

1. **Running Track**– BA to contact Laura Weightman with regards to the pupils bringing something in for Laura to sign if possible – time may be limited.
2. **Air Ambulance Bags** - Collection date will be Monday 11th November at 1pm. Bags will be distributed before the half term break.

Meeting closed at 4.30pm

There will be a get together in school, on Monday 14th October at 3.30pm to discuss the Pop up Shop and Christmas Fayre so please put in your diaries and if you can make it please come.

Date for next PTA meeting - Monday 18th November in School at 3.30pm. As always, all welcome