

7:30pm Thursday 23rd January 2025  
PTFA meeting @ The Hut, St Mary's Primary school Marnhull

**Attending** - Hannah (minutes), Rachel (meeting chair), Jenny, Chelsea, Carmen, Agnes

**Apologies** - Ellie, Sharon, Michelle, Cody, Rebecca

**Minutes of last meeting** - approved by Carmen Seconded by Chelsea

### **Matters arising**

Community cafe - Rachel to speak to Rebecca for details

Wish list - Rachel has spoken to the school and received their wishlist

School have asked for:

Picnic benches

Replacement signs for the playground

TeachRex visit

The school have decided not to request playground equipment at this time.

### **Finance update**

School Disco - profit after expenses for the school disco is £207.70

We have again requested a receipt from the DJ but he has yet to send one. We will chase again.

Singo and Christmas raffle - Total profit for these is £616.26 it was agreed by all that this was a great event and one we would definitely do again.

Bags2school - £18.00 profit was made on the Bags2 school, at the current price per kg offered we have chosen not to use them again currently and will keep an eye out for better offers/other options.

The Christmas card project made a profit of £37.42

PTFA bank account balance currently stands at £3358.96

There is also approximately £800 in cash in the school safe from recent events.

£1000 of our current balance is earmarked for the PTFA shed including fixtures and fittings

**Voted in decisions** - At our last meeting we voted that we would not accept more children to the school disco after the deadline for return forms. On the day of the event, we had parents asking if their children could come. This then led to a whats app decision being made on the day, we discussed that going forward, it is important that decisions made in a meeting are stuck to, to avoid confusion and awkward situations arising. This goes for all decisions voted in at meetings, any last minute changes would be for exceptional circumstances. For future discos, a unanimous decision has been made that due to health and safety children will not be accepted after the deadline, unless parents/carers are willing to stay with child(ren) for the entirety of the event, on the understanding that items may not be available if catered for by numbers e.g Hot Dog etc

**Wish list** - approximate costs supplied to us were not inclusive of VAT, so with taking this into consideration and with future expense commitments, we can not currently afford all the items on the wish list, we have decided instead to offer a budget to the school so that school can prioritise which

item(s) they want most from the list of: Picnic benches, signs for the playground ,or a TeachRex visit. The budget will be up to £1500 which would be inclusive of all costs including VAT and delivery fees.

And we will endeavour to fund raise for the remaining items.

**Asda cash pot** - we are awaiting the funding from the asda cashpot which is approximately £188.39 this is due to be paid sometime in March.

**Shed** - Bruno has offered to shop around for the shed. We are hoping to have a decision made before the next meeting.

#### **Ideas for the following term** -

**Book fair** - we have decided not to go ahead with the book fair this year, after taking into consideration rising costs to parents, and staffing the sales.

**Love what you wear day** - Rachel will speak to Sharon about holding a “love what you wear” non school uniform day on the 14th February, children can come to school dressed in what they love most for a charge of £1 per child.

**Easter bonnet competition** - We will discuss the possibility of holding another easter bonnet competition at the next meeting.

**Easter egg hunt** - last year the school arranged an easter egg hunt and we provided the prizes. Rachel will ask the school if this is something they would like to do again this year.

**Tuck shop** - we would like to trial a tuck shop every other Friday after school, beginning after half term. It would be an opportunity for the children to purchase treats with pocket money, similar to Frozen Fridays and the doughnut sales held previously but with a wider range of options for children to choose from. Rachel will speak to Sharon to see if this is something we can do.

**Talent show** - An idea of a talent show was put forward this will be discussed at next meeting

**Jumble sale** - Due to location restrictions and numbers for staffing we have decided not to hold a jumble sale at this time.

#### **Next meeting**

Tuesday 4th March

The hut, St Mary's primary school

7:30pm - 9:30pm

**Minutes** - Hannah

**Chair** - Rachel