

Pimperne Primary PTA

Wednesday 16th October

Attendees; Samantha Lillington (Chair), Jonathan Bowell (Minutes), Sam Gale, Claire Booth, Emma Lane, Emily Vernon, Keltie Ford, Sam Thomas (Deputy Head).

Apologies; Diz Farnhill (Treasurer), Amanda Dallison, Sophie Tatham, Rachel Brewer, Fi Waller and Rachel Gregory

Finance report; Current Balance £10,533

Paid since last meeting

- Panto £700
- The Big Draw £50
- First aid courses £500
- Popcorn for movie night £28

Finance requests from school; No new requests from school. Since the last meeting investigations were made into picnic benches and a bell tent. Price reductions were obtained on both items and we agreed to fund £570 for 6 benches and £270 for a bell tent delivered. We intent to get plaques for the benches to show they were funded by the PTA.

Firework Night; The fire brigade, County Council and Police have been made aware. Leafletting has started around the village to ensure our neighbours are aware and will be completed before the event. We need a first aider onsite, Sam Thomas is going to find one from the staff. PTA will need to be stewards for the evening, Hi-Viz will be found from school. Mick Raine has agreed to source and run the public address system. Lighting- Marquee elegance have kindly offered to let us have some lighting. Sam Lillington will run the BBQ with helpers that she will organise. We agreed to start with 200 'real' sausages and 250 burgers. Drinks – we will have tea, coffee, hot chocolate, Rio and 'stabby' drinks. Emma will check stocks of flavoured syrups for hot chocolates. Emily and Keltie will stock up on requirements for drinks. DCM tyres have kindly sourced sweets for a sweet stall. Novelty flashy lights – we have 88 from last year and will top up with necklaces. Jonathan Bowell has some glow sticks available for marking the barrier. Emma Lane will make an external Facebook event that can be shared publicly. Crazy monsters have offered a character to attend the event, we agreed this would be good. Emily Vernon is going to pull together a press release and circulate it to local media. We can make two family tickets available to local media to help promote the event.

PTA constitution and AGM; Sam Lillington, Diz and Jonathan concluded that the Parent Kind Website model constitution was appropriate to adopt in place of our current outdated constitution. We would recommend that we aim to have a committee of 6 members; a chair, a treasurer, a secretary and three ordinary members. This is in excess of the minimum recommended in the new constitution. With this decision made we can now hold the AGM on the 6th November as long as we publish the intent to do this as soon as possible. This will be done on Facebook ahead of notification through school channels.

Online fundraisers; Sam Lillington is going to set up a PTA email address and share information. Once this is done, if required, Sam Gale will set us up on the Book shop and Easy fundraisers. Jonathan will set us up on Amazon Smile.

Non school uniform day; Pupils bring in a Christmassy item for raffle hampers on a date before the 28th November, Monday the 25th was suggested. The PTA can assemble hampers on the evening of 28th when the school is open for Zumba.

Christmas; The hall is booked 29th November for the PTA Christmas fair 2:30 -4:30. We intend there will be the hamper raffle, tombola, silent auction, Teddy raffle, School council can do a stall if they would like too, tea and coffee, secret room and Father Christmas.

Christmas dinner; is confirmed for Tuesday 17th December.

Christmas Cards/ tea towels etc.; All on track, all student pictures are now and being sent to the suppliers.

Christmas shopping trip; We are currently a few short of the minimum number to allow the trip to go ahead. Facebook will be used to spread awareness to try to fill the last numbers so the trip can go ahead.

AOB; With Julie standing down Emma and Sam Gale will count the money currently in the safe and make up floats for Fireworks. If there is an excess it can be banked.

Meeting close at 9:45