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Ash Primary School PTA Meeting Minutes September 2022

Opening:

The meeting was held in the skittle alley at The Bell Inn at 8.15pm on Wednesday 28th September 2022.

In attendance:

Anna Anderson (AA), Sarah Bennett (SB), Lynne Buckley (LB), Rhi Butler (RhB), Vicky Clarke (VC), Sam Dampier (SD), Kay Hooper (KH), Kelly James (KJ), Lisa Knott (LK), Sam Lock (SL), Tracy Luker (TL), Vicki Ousey (VO), Ali Potepa (AP), Rachel Sarll (RS) and Amanda Wills (AW).

Discussion:

1. Chair's Welcome

Looking forward to a busy term of events.

2. Forthcoming events

a. Halloween Disco - Thursday 20th October

Stalls, games, refreshments (tuck shop, candy floss, barbecue).

Bar, as we have alcohol left from MW festival. We need a Temporary Event Notice (TEN), £21, 10 working days before event.

5.30-7.30pm

Party games, as well as disco, so it's not intimidating for younger children.

Under 8s to be accompanied by an adult.

KS1/KS2 pumpkin decorating competition. We will try to supply the pumpkins, if we can find a supplier.

Games - fun for the children, lots of ideas, need volunteers to run.

Action: VO/RhB to book disco.
Action: TL to apply for TEN.
Action: RhB to sort decorations.
Action: VO to ask about pumpkins.
Action: VO to amend date on poster

b. Bonfire Night - Friday 4th November

We've got the date pencilled in, but we're not going to do a Bonfire Night event this year. Martock are doing their big fireworks event on the Saturday night, which is free to attend, so everyone can go and have fun at that.

c. Pyjama Party - Thursday 24th November

Film and refreshments in school hall.

Polar Express theme.

Craft area available.

First night of Christmas Shopping in Yeovil - parents/carers can leave children for a couple of hours .

Need DBS checks for all volunteers

Action: AW to contact school office about DBS checks.

Action: LB to check child ratios needed.

Action: KJ to make poster.

d. Christmas Bingo - Friday 2nd December

In school hall.

Non-uniform day on Friday 25th November - children to bring in drinks and sweet treats, which will be used for hamper prizes.

6.00pm for 6.30pm start.

Invite Ash Village, as well as school.

RhB to be caller, need one more.

Action: AW to check bingo numbers are in loft.

Action: KJ to make poster

Action: VC/LK to advertise event in village.

d. Christmas Shopping - Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th December, 1.00-3.00pm.

In the Honey Pot.

Loved by the children, and a good fundraiser.

Open this up to the Nursery children this year.

Children to visit with siblings.

Parents/carers to be asked if their employers can donate gifts to be sold.

Ask for gift bag donations.

Also, donations of quality items for re-gifting.

Volunteers needed to help with wrapping.

Prices £1.50/£3.00/£5.00

Action: RhB and KH to check stock and arrange shopping.

e. Christmas Party - Friday 16th December

PTA usually provides entertainment and lunch for all the children, and lunch for the staff. Include the Nursery children this year. Free School Meal allowance usually given to us. We must give Figs prior notice.

Food: it works well paying for catering, rather than volunteers buying and prepping food. Caterers to provide allergy info.

Entertainment: Disco on last afternoon of school, in school hall.

Presents: PTA to pay £30 for a present for each class (bought in advance by each class teacher) and arrange a visit from F.C. to deliver.

Action: SL/KH to look into available caterers and notify Figs.

Action: AW to arrange F.C. visit in helicopter.

3. Any Other Business

a. Christmas Cards

Is anyone in the school doing the Christmas Card printing this year? Mrs Griffin & Mrs Morris used to do it, but they have now left.

It is a good fundraiser for the school.

It would be good to include the Nursery children this year.

Action: TL to check with school office.

b. Coffee Mornings/Afternoons

We can have these whenever we like, especially now that the Honey Pot is available during the day, as well as the hall.

Action: AW to try and find volunteers and book in some dates.

4. Date of the next meeting

The next PTA meeting will be held on **Monday 10**th **October, 8.30-10.00pm at the Bell Inn.** The next meeting will be held during the school day, to give more people the opportunity to attend.

Meeting closed, 9.45pm.