

MINUTES

Newton Poppleford Primary School PTFA

Date | time Wednesday 13th January 7:30pm | *Meeting called to order by* Bob Tubbs

In Attendance

Bob Tubbs, Janet Stanley, Clare Saunders, Tilli Beglin, Lisa Cavanagh, Emma Finch, Rachel Bolt

Preparations for PTFA Quiz Night

The PTFA quiz night was originally arranged with Rob Derbyshire to be 12th February. Unfortunately Bob was unable to contact Rob after Christmas so has been unable to confirm this, and anyway 12th February turns out to be inconvenient for a number of reasons (including a clash with the village pantomime). 26th February or 4th March might be better alternative dates, but this might require discussions with an alternative quizmaster such as Chris Burhop (in agreement with Rob). Actions: Bob to contact Chris Burhop to explain the situation, and Clare to contact Rob Derbyshire at the weekend.

Year 3 cake sale

Jo Hodgson has agreed to be Year 3 rep at least for organising the cake sale including contacting other parents. I have passed her details onto Clare who has the float. Several people have offered to help.

Other fundraising activities

- Rachel suggested an RSPB overnight (camping) event on Aylsebeare Common in June (exclusive to the school) with ticket monies going to the RSPB and potential sponsorship for the PTFA. Tickets are a bit pricey (£25 adults, £15 children), but the event does sound good. It was suggested that we should check that the school would be happy with an event such as this even though the school would not be directly involved (the ticket prices might mean it was not a very inclusive event). Action: Bob to check with Stuart Vaughan whether the school would be OK with this.
 - Easter cake auction. This has happened in some previous years. Unfortunately it would clash with the Reception cake sale at the end of this term – perhaps it could be done in a future year if the Reception cake sale was in a different week.
 - We could run a village treasure hunt (but this would need to wait until the ground is less waterlogged).
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Other items

- We would like to tidy the PTFA shed. Friday mornings after 9am would be convenient – Action: Bob to ask whether parents would be allowed to do this on a Friday morning (perhaps 22nd January).
- We will need to pay the remaining costs of the Year 6 legacy project from last year to Pauline Pepper. We are still waiting for James Morison to confirm the exact amount we need to pay.
- Year 6 events – the PTFA committee and Year 6 parents were unaware last year of what events took place at the end of Year 6, who organised what, and who paid for what events. To avoid confusion in future, Bob suggested getting some instructions added to the school website (perhaps at a discrete location, with the link being sent to Year 6 parents each year). As far as we are aware, parents usually arrange an end of year event, with the PTFA contributing about £100 towards it (receipts required) and with Year 6 parents donating the rest. A fish and chips evening is funded from the Year 6 fruit stall money. Year 6 also have a sleepover at school in tents. Last

year the PTFA agreed they would generally only provide up to £350 for Year 6 legacy projects in future, although might consider offering more in exceptional circumstances if consulted well in advance. Action: Bob to consult with James Morison and then request something be put on the school website.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held in the first half of March, ideally at a time when Michelle Dilling can attend so that we can discuss a possible music event. Action: Bob to ask Michelle for suitable dates, and then send round the date of next meeting.