



HAGLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Parents, Friends and Teachers Association



PTA Meeting – Thursday 1st October PTA meeting 20.30 via Zoom

Attendees: Emma Downes, Charlotte McAuslan, Claire Dickenson, Clare Gahir, Natalie Price, Gary Booth, Rachel Hall, Steve Collins, Jemma Brooks, Liz Hurst.

Request from School

Letter from Mr Hill, would like to enhance reading books in KS2. The books would be offered in KS2, the current books are old and of poor quality. He would also like to purchase dyslexia books to benefit those who are struggling. He has looked into the cost of this and the cost is £8,000. They want the PTA to fund £4000 of this.

Natalie Price suggested that the school could take advantage of her Usbourne book sellers account, which could provide some savings.

Clare Gahir suggested that we need to check where the quote has come from and is that through someone like scholastic where the school would gain money from books parents brought. E Downes to follow up with Mr Hill

Bags to School - Monday 5th October

Bags to school now giving slightly less in return for weight of clothing, so PTA are now on the look out for someone who could provide a better return for clothing,

Harvest - Wednesday 7th October and Thursday 8th October

Looking for helpers to collect items for the black country foodbank, please get in touch if you can help on the morning of the 7th and 8th October at school drop off time. Liz Hurst and Rachel Hall have offered to help.

Social media

Natalie Price very kindly offered to provide social media help to the PTA, in terms of designing digital posters and designing Facebook pages.

New ideas

Liz Hurst has a friend offering craft boxes, she sells these to schools in Redditch currently at a reduced cost and then the PTA sell them at a higher price to raise funds. Was agreed it was a good idea, perhaps to do after Christmas.

Easy fundraising; need to make more use of the ability to raise funds for buying items online, this is currently under used. Would be good to try and get more parents to use this, Natalie offered to keep the auction page open after the auction, to promote things like easy fund raising, virtual events. Agreed as a good idea.

Gary Booth suggested that past members of the school, may want to contribute financially to the school, as a way to keep a connection with the school. This idea was discussed within the meeting and it was felt it may be an idea that would have to be structured carefully so as not to cause concern.

Rachel Hall raised an idea of a school lottery, paying £1 a week to take part, this is linked to the lottery's bonus ball, this was discussed and agreed it was a viable idea for something in the New Year.

Christmas Tree and Raffle

Charlotte McAuslan outlined the issues with conducting the Christmas raffle, such as the issue of tickets and ensuring it is carried out in a Covid safe way. It was agreed that in order to circumvent this it has been agreed to carry out the raffle by donating the usual hamper to the Auction.

Lockdown light suggested by Clare Goodwin at the AGM. PTA will provide a tree outside in the Lych Gate area by the pond, which will be decorated with lights. Parents can then buy a light and write a message for every child in the

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school and a gift from Father Christmas, although every child will still receive a gift even if they don't buy a light. Suggested price is £5.00 - £7.00.

The plan is to get the tree up by the beginning of December. Mrs Payne to then do an opening ceremony which Father Christmas attending, this will be live Zoomed to the classrooms. Teachers will then be able to go and collect the bags of gifts for each class. The good news is that Santa has agreed to fly from the North Pole for the event!

PTA had booked Flip the Clown for KS1 as Christmas show, due to Covid this event was cancelled, however Flip has agreed to live zoom KS1. Yay!

Suggestions for Covid safe pantomimes very welcome. Steve Collins did a quick google search and there are events available. PTA to investigate.

Next Meeting Thursday 12th November 8.30 via Zoom