

Prior Weston PTA Minutes

24th May 2013

Present: Julie, Kevin, Imre, Judith, Mary, Aaron, Caroline, Sabine

Apologies: Mark, Darren, Ann

Meeting opened: 8.35 am

1. Approval of previous minutes: approved by email.

Agenda	Notes and actions (see bullet points for actions)	Who	by when
The Happening	The school this are combining project week and The Happening so that the Happening can serve to present and celebrate the outcomes of the children's work in their various projects. Caroline wanted to invite the PTA to contribute ideas and support. It was discussed that the PTA would provide book stall and 'gallery café'.	all	To be discussed again at next mtg
Finance	It was clarified that the £800 per year for trips is to be made available each academic year. It is possible that all year groups will take advantage of this before the end of this academic year. Any budget not spent will go back I to the pot. The budgets refresh next September. In addition, the committee confirmed that the PTA are also committed to funding the Winter Theatre trip. A brief statement of intent of funds allocation will be made public so that all teachers are clear on what is available and carers will have more awareness of what the fundraising supports.	Julie Kevin	Next meeting
Breakfasts	Aaron will be holding a couple of breakfasts next half term. One to say farewell to Rosie and one to welcome all new staff. He would like the PTA's input and support on these. Dates yet to be decided.	Aaron	tbc
PTA Teacher's fund	It was confirmed that in reality it is the school that approves these applications. For purposes of awareness, profile and engagement the message will be that PTA 'rubber stamp' these: we need the community to be aware of how the funds are being used. The school will keep up a regular dialogue with PTA to keep aware of what funds are available.	Aaron or another teacher	Each meeting
Quiz night	The evening was a success – nearly 100 people attending. Due to the price of the meal eventually costing more than price of entry the evening just about broke even (invoice		

	<p>for posters/tickets not in yet so no cost on this but approx. £35). Americans not paid – will they be asked to or is school funding?</p> <p>Soft drinks over from the bar have been placed in shed in car park by Gary. We need to decide what to do with these.</p> <p>Although it was successful, due to placing AFTER the auction for the 1st time, the PTA were not able to focus on it so much, which resulted in most of the work being done by the same few. Many hands helped to clear so there is willing, but we need to harness this much earlier and be more organised about being able to utilise this help. Julie reminded everyone that she is still to do Event Running Check List, which should facilitate this.</p>	Julie	Before next term
AOB	Sean announced as Head of PE. There will be a sports days this year.	Sean	tbc
Recruitment/ new events	<p>Following the brush down of the Quiz Night new emphasis on recruitment was discussed again as well as the scope for a wider variety of events. More helpers needed, including ‘apprentice officers’ since PTA is predominantly Yr 4 parents. Ideas were discussed such as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coffee mornings • Special PTA meeting • open PTA meeting • PTA breakfast. <p>One suggestion was to place boards in the main space that invite ALL parents to post their ideas. These are harvested and discussed at a special meeting that all are invited to.</p> <p>New events can be run by new members but with the support of the core PTA.</p> <p>The Event Running check-list will also aid this.</p>	All to think	By next meeting

Next meeting:

27th June 2013