

Prior Weston Primary School & Children's Centre PTA Minutes
26th June

Present: Kevin, Mark, Nicole, Sara Eskethuk, Amy Green, Rik, Kirstin, Jenny, Nargis, Alex (Yr 1 teacher), Zoe (Yr 3 teacher), Caroline (Yr 2 teacher)

Meeting Opened: 08:00am (at Pret)

Approval of previous minutes – approved

Agenda	Notes and Actions	Who	By When
Teachers Requests	<p>Zoe has been approached by a TV series to create a programme on teaching children science through puppets.</p> <p>As the programme offers a 'branding' opportunity for Prior Weston school the teachers are keen to create a special 'Prior Weston' Puppet.</p> <p>It was noted that the puppet would be used by the whole school and that the children would be involved in the design.</p> <p>It was agreed that the teachers would investigate the finances and come to the PTA with a costed application.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted Teachers</p>	<p>July</p>
The Happening	<p>A discussion was re promoting the fact that the PTA had funded the Happening & Project Week.</p> <p>It was noted that community boards and large posters highlighting PTA involvement would be a good addition to the stickers idea.</p> <p>It was agreed that the text on the sticker would be simple.</p> <p>It was noted that the stickers would be given out by PTA members throughout the Happening. To both parents and children.</p> <p>Teachers identified the following support requirements for The Happening:</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Mark</p> <p>Noted</p>	

	<p>Set Up – 1 hour to help layout the set and prepare the space</p> <p>Pack Up – 1 hour to help clear up</p> <p>It was agreed that Caroline would forward a schedule to the PTA and volunteers would be sourced.</p>	Caroline/Mark	
Sainsbury's Local Community	<p>Amy highlighted an opportunity with Sainsbury's to secure sponsorship for Prior Weston School.</p> <p>It was noted that the Deputy Head had written to Sainsbury's listing a number of initiatives they could be involved.</p> <p>It was noted that the PTA was not included on that list. Whilst it was agreed that the PTA would not look to compete with the school for the funds they had the benefit of having a charity status, which may make it easier for Sainsbury's.</p> <p>It was also noted that the funds could be used to sponsor a specific element of the work the PTA do. For example, All School Trips.</p> <p>It was agreed that a note would be drafted outlining the potential opportunities for sponsorship within the PTA remit.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Jenny / Amy</p>	
School Bus	<p>Nicole raised funding of a school bus and along with Amy flagged concerns around the current use of public transport during school trips due to the limited time children spend at the destination and the proportion of time spent on transport getting to the location.</p> <p>It was noted that a school bus could be a option for Sainsbury's sponsorship.</p> <p>It was noted that schools use public transport because it is free for them.</p> <p>It was agreed that due to the need to discuss whether a school bus is desirable with the new Head Teacher in September that this issue would be placed on hold.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Nicole / Mark</p>	September

Roster of PTA Events	<p>Calendar of events was discussed.</p> <p>It was agreed that the following events would remain on the calendar:</p> <p>Harvest Festival Auction of Promises The Happening</p> <p>Some discussion was had around whether a Quiz night or Bingo night would be of interest to a broader range of parents.</p> <p>It was agreed that in order to get a engagement from more parents that the choice of event would be posed to all parents via an online poll.</p> <p>Kirstin agreed to prepare the poll and promote it via text message and Newsletter at the beginning of the new school year.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Kirstin</p>	
Additional Events	<p>Rik highlighted that he would be keen to run a 'camping' event in Fortune Street park</p> <p>It was noted that just because this event was off school grounds it didn't mean that Rik couldn't apply via the PTA Parents Fund for funding.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Rik</p>	
PTA Meeting Space	<p>It was agreed that due to the increasing numbers attending PTA committee meetings that would from now on be held in school library rather than at Pret.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	

Next meeting 10 July 2015 – AGM 8am school library.