

St Mary's School PTA Meeting Agenda
7:30pm Tuesday 15th September 2020

Zoom Meeting URL:

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Present:

Miss J Harte, Anna Spellman, Tracey Haynes, Emanuela Ferrero, Cheryl Hayes, Jo Hoehenwater, Clare Price Williams, Emma Sedda, Jeremy Lee, Phoebe Yau, Marco Malone, Lisa (Reception), Cara Kennedy, Carrie Hustler, Steph O'Neil, Isabella PQ, PWs, Anna Twomey.

1. Opening Prayer

2. Welcome to Class Reps, Staff & Attendees

3. Update on Minutes of Last Meeting (03rd March 2020)

- Air Purifiers : No news on air purifiers
- PTA Roles - Roles available in the PTA – Co-chair volunteers welcome! New secretary: Clare Price Williams – Thank you!
- Marquee Storage Box - One new box to be ordered (£549 inc VAT) - Steel boxes under-way, will need people to volunteer to put together.
- Cookbook Fundraiser - Cook book, last year we asked for each child to send a recipe for a book for Xmas. We had 180 recipes that would need to edit. We want to go forward and add in reception and nursery's recipes. Jo H to help with this.
- No tea towels and bags this year - done 2 years running - opinion was love for the bags. We will go ahead
- No calendar this year as someone takes pictures - we could get the kids do the calendars with their own pictures instead of tea towels - positive response

- Playground equipment - Play-Pods, big shed full of scrap pieces kids can use to create their own games. Training for the teachers and the kids. The PTA went to see it in Feltham, we applied for Hounslow funding before the lockdown. F/U on funding. Existing climbing wall to be repositioned after the Green Wall. Plan to add an extra small Trim Trail.
- Voluntary contributions - Request for further detail on what money is collected and how it is used. Miss Harte following up with Governors.
Link to the financials page
<https://www.stmaryschiswick.org.uk/files/our-school/governors/Finances%2019%20to%2020%20V2.pdf>

- Will to win - William Hogarth got tennis courts resurfaced. Jo will follow up to see if we can get some money from them
- Mr Hunt - will still have a gathering but subject to social distancing and rule of 6 now means can't plan it. We collected for gift etc. just about presentation and acknowledging 33 years service

4. PTA Financial Update

- Summary due on Friday as part of treasurer handover

5. New items for discussion

Fundraising ideas

- Second hand uniform sales – 2nd hand uniform sales kick off - short of volunteers 3-4 times a year made £500/600 a year. Year 2 and Tracey going to organise it.
- No Xmas fair etc so virtual ideas welcome
- Book swap where you can drop and take and get donations
- Horse racing virtual - good fun although it's the booze that makes the money on these nights
- Quiz nights - maybe virtual?
- Christmas cards again – ask Georgina Fletcher
- Easy fundraising push again - buying at John Lewis / M&S you can name the school which gets a % of money. Poster on how to do it and where to buy, also advert on the newsletter.
- Raffle - easy money maker, class hampers, promises from teachers and parents.
- Ask parents for ideas via newsletter
- Virtual auction of parent skills / favours from teachers and parents. Spring time.
- Possible sponsored run – we need volunteers to organise it
- Weekly lottery - will pursue with 3rd party
- Billboards from Marsh & Parsons interested in sponsorship deal again - used to raise £700 - need to think how we can use them to put billboards up, maybe to sponsor the run
- Better parking advertisement of parking at St Mary's during the Flower Market could make more money as people didn't know it was happening
- Using Chiswick Oasis space - how to make money. Brainstorming on activities needed
- Halloween after school socially distanced spooky event. Unlikely to happen door to door. Miss Harte to check because it will happen during the Half Term
- Tickets for restaurant deals on high road / restaurant map
- Comedy night 2021 hopefully a possible pending Social Distancing rules

Other

- Edible Garden maintenance: Miss Harte confirmed Year 5 and 6 are looking after the gardens
- Plant bed for every classroom and over the summer it was replanted with veg and well kept. All up and running. What's happening with the edible garden, rota is there for watering. Big thanks for team who kept it running. Harvesting by years 5-6 and will ask for donations on a sales table
- Education and ongoing planting - webinar for Mr Lyons who will make plans for early spring, wormery and whiteboard. It's an outdoor classroom and great space

6. Remaining 2020 / 2021 PTA Meeting Dates

Each half term:

10th November
12th January
02nd March
27th April
15th June

7. Any Other Business

- Queries on traffic etc. Car entry can be policed as cars registered and cameras working but Hounslow police it
- Maths mastery parents update problematic `ca_qsqc mdCovid. Ms Harte rmllook at zoom seminar

- Ms Harte will talk to governors about forum. Head teacher's forum used to happen but post Covid19 it needs to change and decide when best to have it.
- Current guidance is no parents in the building, keeping visits to 15 mins max with masks