

All Saints Infant School PTFA Minutes – Monday 19 November 2018

Present: Sally Roberts, Pippa Blackmore, Ady Riley

Apologies: Rachael, Charlotte, Laura, Cheryl, Stuart, Vicky, Ben (and school representation)

Minutes from last meeting (comments and outstanding actions)

Sally has purchased glow sticks for Xmas and spring discos 500 for approx £40

Sally still to investigate and charity status

Craft event: finalised ideas for craft event (Snowflakes, Christmas Cards, Christmas Tree Decorations)

Sponsored Book Read – meeting planned with junior PTFA chair, Cath Lee and Usborne books for 21 Nov

Newsletter was completed and circulated via ParentMail and uploaded onto website

Facebook page was changed so that only PTFA can post on it and people redirected to other page for general school chat

Sally has explored fundraising bids – separate item in meeting

ADY & VICKY: carry out inventory on PTFA cupboard – preferably by Wed 28 November

Actions for Disco

SALLY: Collect list of volunteers for each disco and craft event

SALLY: Keep an eye on ticket sales

STUART – design posters for disco and craft event to put round schools (and image used on Facebook page header)

PIPPA: Buy (nut free) biscuits and squash (if needed – known after inventory),

PIPPA: Enquire at office about allergies and intolerances (is Gluten Free option required)

RACHAEL: Check Risk Assessments for Disco and Craft Event

ADY: Check all disco equipment and lights prior to night and prepare playlist

Actions for Craft events

PIPPA: Prepare examples of Christmas cards for children to copy

PIPPA: Order and prepare examples for tree decorations

PIPPA: Approach Boyes and craft shops in town for additional decorations to support crafts

STUART: Prepare posters to put up in school asap

SALLY: Approach co-op for fruit

SALLY: Collect list of volunteers

SALLY: Buy card for xmas card activity

LAURA: Approach Wilkos for Christmas wrapping paper/damaged rolls or craft items

CHERYL: Prepare/organise craft event refreshments and speak to Sally about Xmas rabbit?

ADY / VICKY: report back on what scissors / glue we have in stores

Update on Spend from 17/18

The school are looking into how the £3000 can be spent from last year

BEN O'CONNELL: To find shelters wanted and ordered this term

Vision for Library and Fundraising Strategy (Awards for All, Derbyshire Grants)

In order to put in funding applications, we need to create a vision for the library space. In order to qualify for many grants there needs to be a 'community angle' so the library space would have dual function that need to work well for both parents and teachers. The school has an aspiration to provide a community focus that can be benefitted by families of the children at All Saints'. This is the draft vision which can be used as a starting point for consultation with teachers and parents. Consultation needs to be demonstrated in the funding applications.

Vision for the new library and community space 'THE BLOOM ROOM' (working title)

A warm, cosy yet vibrant space for children and their parents, carers and siblings to enjoy, learn, engage and discover.

As time becomes an increasingly pressured commodity in a life full of demands, it becomes harder to stop, play and engage with our children. All Saints' Infant School wants to create a space which helps families connect and learn together, without having to add another journey to their day.

A newly formed library space will enable us to create a community space out of hours where parents can read with their children, play games, draw, create or just take the time to talk together before heading home. A room bursting with potential for exploration, discovery and creativity.

THE BLOOM ROOM will be a space:

- where parents can meet with others from their community and connect whilst children play in a safe, warm, comfortable and engaging environment.
- that fosters curiosity and learning.
- for younger siblings to gently experience a school environment .
- where children from the local preschool can visit and be introduced to their next learning environment.
- where we can welcome the wider community in to work with our children.
- we can fill with knowledge and imagination through fictional and non fictional books.
- without the distractions we have at home.
- that promotes the schools new vision of Family, Faith, Flourish.
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Each year, a further 60 children from Matlock join our school community and until now, there has been no collective creative and learning space other than the hall. And whilst each class has a small collection of books in their rooms, a bank of quality, varied resources are lacking. This project will fill that gap bringing in resources, magazine subscriptions that inspire wonderment and curiosity for all generations; our pupils, their parents and their grandparents who are increasingly taking on a childcare role in our community. There is also the opportunity for the local community to come onboard by making decorations and soft furnishings for the space. The BLOOM ROOM will act as a strong focus for the community that will continue to nurture, inspire and educate our children.

Next steps:

Sally to send out consultation questions to teachers and parents about use of space and what is needed within it. This will be done via ParentMail and Facebook and if required, school gate questionnaires. This will feed into an Awards for All application (for £10k) which will be submitted before Christmas. We will then know the outcome by end of Spring term.

A further two pots of money are available which Sally will endeavour to submit on time:

Derbyshire Action Grant - Community (Books)	31.12.18
Derbyshire Action Grant - Physical Activity Theme (Big Games)	31.03.19

ParentKind membership

On the Parentkind website, an advisory organisation for PTAs which we have membership for, other members of PTAs can access for information, help sheets, fundraising ideas and case studies. If anyone would like to have access to this, let Sally know and she will send you the login details required.

Date of Next Meeting

Will be arranged when we have got through Christmas!