

Oatlands School PTA Meeting

10th January 2023

Start of meeting 19:40

Present:

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| Mrs Mooney - Head Teacher | Charlie Paphitis – Jellyfish/Lions |
| Ellie Mitchell - Chair | Dominique Lloyd-Walter – Starfish |
| Laura Rust - Secretary | Helen Riordan - Tigers |
| Carina MacKenzie - Co chair | Shweta Sangewar - Ladybirds |
| Alex Fitzpatrick - Community Coordinator | Amy Weed - Jellyfish |
| Alex Rennie - Leopards | Anum Truss - Starfish |

Welcome and Apologies

- Apologies received from Esther Biddle and Ruth Paisley.

Minutes of last meeting

- The minutes of the last meeting were approved without amendment and are available on the school website.

Treasurers Report

- EM presented the treasurers report in RP's absence.
- In the last academic year, we lost the deposit that we had paid for the pantomime, therefore, we only paid £300 this year (we paid £900 last year) so this needs to be considered.
- We took £400 at the bar at the pantomime.
- There is £118 of second-hand uniform money still to be banked so that is £475 already made in second hand uniform sales with the next sale at the end of January.
- The PTA covered the expenses for the Year 1 Carol concert.
- We have now paid the deposit for the Spring Ball.

Roles of class reps

- Some class reps are not passing messages from the rep WhatsApp group onto classes; therefore, important school/PTA information is not reaching all parents/carers.
- It is vital that all communication is received in a timely manner. EM/EB to give concise information to all class reps so this can be sent straight to classes without the reps having to amend the message before sending it to everyone.

Events Past

- **Christmas Charity Donation** – AF stated that 250 presents were purchased and given out to the children and families. AF is going to come into school, alongside the Charity school co-ordinator to conduct an assembly and speak to the children.
- **Christmas Event (Panto) – Saturday 3rd December 2022** – This was a great success as always and the children really enjoyed it. A date now needs to be arranged for this year's pantomime. CP is going to research other event companies to compare costings.

Events Future

- **Sponsored Danceathon** – HR to run a sponsored danceathon on Friday the 7th of July entitled 'Be the best you!'. A picnic for the children will follow after, to be held on the school field.
- **Sponsored Bounce – Friday 27th January** – The bouncy castle is being delivered at 8.30am, with bouncing commencing at 9am until 11.30am. 6 people will bounce at one time for one minute. The JustGiving page is now all set up and £450 has been raised currently. We are collecting funds for new playground equipment.

- **Re-arranged Disco – Sunday 29th January** – We have now booked the DJ Celebrate with DD for the disco. EM to confirm access to the hall with Mr Carroll. We still require some helpers from each class. EM is also looking for someone to assist with the event from start to finish.
- **Spring Social (Quiz Night) – Saturday 4th February** – 30 tickets have already been sold, with the link being sent out to all classes shortly. EM to take the food orders and sort out the alcohol licence. TM to ascertain if the teachers would also like a table.
- **Mother's Day Market (MAGs) – Friday 17th March** – AF has now sourced the presents for the MAGs and will order these shortly. DUGs will assist the children with making them.
- **Easter Event – Sunday 26th March** – It was agreed that this will be a treasure hunt for the children as this has been a great success in the past. If people want to take part, it will be £5 per child. A decision will be made shortly in terms of prize at the end of the treasure hunt.
- **Spring Ball – Saturday 13th May** – CP gave an update in regard to the Spring ball. The theme will be 'Night at the Oatlands' so glitz and glam! A save the date message and poster will be out shortly whilst the website is currently being designed. Flyers will also be handed out after the quiz in February. There are already many auction and raffle prizes and there will be the option to buy raffle tickets even if people are unable to attend the ball. Tickets will be on sale at the beginning of February.
- **DUG's Gift Fair – Friday 16th June** – AF has sourced the DUGs present and will order these shortly. MAGs will assist the children with making them.
- **Sponsored Relay – Date TBC** – Now the danceathon is taking place, it was agreed that this will now take place at the end of September/ early October.
- **Family Fun Day - Sunday 25th June** – This will be discussed at the next meeting.
- **Oatlands Camping Weekend – 14th – 15th July** – More information and ticket sale dates will be discussed at the next meeting. Flyers will be given to the reception classes giving further information.
- **International Day (date TBC)** – TM will liaise with EM to finalise the details of the event.

AOB

- **Shed** – The plan is for the shed to be cleared out in February half term. AF is going to investigate the price of hiring a skip. AR is going to contact Weybridge Men's Shed to see if they can help. CP is going to research costings for the sheds.

Close of meeting 21:00

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 7th March 7:30pm