

Oatlands School PTA Meeting

9th January 2024

Start of meeting 19.35

Present:

Carina MacKenzie - Chair	Alex Fitzpatrick – Community Coordinator
Sarah Read – Co-chair	Ben Robinson – Bumblebees
Laura Rust - Secretary	Charlie Paphitis – Leopards
Jono Gomez – Treasurer	Yalia Hamilton – Lions
Vasti Grootz – Deputy Treasurer	Mr Copsey – Deputy Head teacher
Mrs Mooney – Head Teacher	

Welcome and Apologies

- Apologies received from Esther Biddle, Ladybirds and Starfish.

Minutes of last meeting

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

Events Past

- **Plastic Amnesty** – This worked really well and we now have enough prizes for the Treasure Hunt this Saturday. We will roll this out again later on in the term to ensure we have enough prizes for the Family Funday in June.
- **Nativity Lending Library** - Few costumes were handed in, we only received about 5-6. An email will be sent around again to ask parents if they have any costumes they wish to donate and hopefully we will continue this again next year.
- **Wine Tasting Evening** – This event received great feedback, with almost £900 raised including the raffle. Valentina's did an amazing job and it was agreed that they would be used again with the same format.
- **PTA Refreshments after Year 1 Carol Concert** – We received lots of donations and many parents stayed behind after the concert and had a great time.
- **Christmas Charity Appeal** – This was a huge success, many thanks to all who got involved. 200 gifts were provided to local families.

Events Future

Spring Term

- **Treasure Hunt – 13th January** – The Treasure Hunt will be held this Saturday. 48 tickets have been sold so far, raising £169. 5 people have also paid the £5 voluntary contribution.
- **Quiz Night – 3rd February** – The electronic quiz provider has now been booked at £150. Tickets will go on sale by the end of this week. A bar will be run and fish and chips will be provided as in previous years. It will cost £20 a ticket and there will be a maximum of 6 to a table.
- **Sponsored Bounce – 9th February** – The bouncy castle has now been booked. SR has kindly agreed to oversee the event but we will also need some volunteers to count the bounces!
- **MAGS craft mornings – w/c 4th March** – The craft item has now been chosen and been ordered ready for the MAGS craft mornings. Reception and Year 1 will be held on the 5th March and Year 2 will be held on the 8th March.
- **Painting and Prosecco night – TBC** – This will most likely be held on a Thursday evening but MM will look at possible dates and this will be discussed at the next meeting.
- **Bake Sales** – The Bake Sales will take place on the last week of term on the 26th and 27th March. Year 1 will bake first, with more details to follow shortly.

Summer Term

- **Disco – 27th April** – Tiny Twisters have been contacted (who we have used previously with good feedback) and this will be discussed at the next meeting.
- **Spring Ball – 11th May** – We have a possible estate agent sponsor for the Ball on the premise that parents put up boards outside their houses to promote their agency. There are now 28 confirmed raffle prizes, with CM to send another message round to see if parents can offer anything. The deposit has now been sent to Oatlands Hotel this week. A photo booth and Saxophone player have now also been booked. The theme of the event is Glitz and Glamour.
- **DUGS craft mornings – 10th - 11th June** – This will be discussed at the next meeting.
- **PTA Fun Day – 30th June** – This will be discussed at the next meeting.
- **Family Camping event – 12-14th July** – This will be discussed at a later date.
- **Ice-cream Sales - TBC** – This will be discussed at a later date.

AOB

- Mr Carroll's 40th Anniversary of being caretaker at the school is fast approaching in February. There was some discussion in regard to how best celebrate this and a collection will be organised to thank him for all his hard work. More details will be sent out by the end of this week.
- JG is looking into Google Drive for the treasury document storage. As a charity, this will be free, with JG applying for this today. Hopefully, this should be a straightforward process with everything migrating over within 14 days.

Close of meeting 20:54

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 5th March - 7:30pm