

Parents, Teachers & Friends of Eldersfield Lawn Church of England School



Minutes of PTFA Meeting on Thursday 1st May, 6pm held at The Hunters Inn Led by Liam Haydon

1. Welcome and Apologies

LHa shared the agenda with everyone and any apologies.

Attendees

Suzi Bainbridge (SB), Sarah Hindle (SH), Vicki Wallace (VW), Liam Haydon (LHa), Amy Kinahan (AK),

Apologies

Louise Herbert (LH), Jackie Ostoke (JO), Ellen Challoner (EC), Shelley Ebsworth (SE), Molly Wellon (MW), Eddie Rushford (ER), Jo Challens (JC), Tansy Goodman (TG), Loyda Winning (LW), Tricia S (TS)

2. Summer Fayre

Food

LHa has secured 'Pizza 2 U' for the food. 'Pizza 2 U' have stated they would need a Minimum sale of 30 Pizzas for 15% of profits.

It was decided that they will set up in staff car park to maximise Wi-Fi.

SH mentioned recycling waste afterwards. It was discussed that we will bring the large wheelie recycling school bin over near to the food stall.

Timings will be confirmed with the company by LHa – arrival at 3pm.

Inflatables

3 Counties Inflatables – Quote has been given for 50m Assort Course and a Bouncy Castle with slide. Circa - £350 was quoted. Committee agreed to go ahead with this.

Volunteers will be needed to be able to man this and limit the amount of children using the inflatables at any one time.

It was decided that for the smaller bouncy castle and slide we should limit to 10 people and a time of 3-5 minutes. Logistics of this will be discussed at the next meeting.

Generator will not be needed as extension cable would reach within the 40metre limit.

Fayre Competitions

The committee discussed if we want to keep with the theme of 'The Great British Fayre'. It was decided that we would and that we all thought this was a nice idea for children and adults to be involved in.

It was decided that we would keep it to 3-5 categories maximum and that we would run a KS1/KS2 and Adults prize giving.

Committee discussed who can judge. It was suggested that we can ask Rev. Julie to attend and judge – SH to ask if she is available.

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External Stalls

SB discussed the external stalls that we have confirmed.

Michael – Stationery Stall confirmed

Greenwoods – Plant Stall confirmed

Guide Dogs – Awaiting confirmation but hopeful they will join as they did last year.

The committee briefly discussed the following stall ideas. These will be explored more at the next meeting.

- Craft Stall – Ideas needed on what craft to run
- Biscuit decorating - It was agreed that we would make flower biscuits this year.
- Treasure hunt stall – Idea was discussed as a possibility and a nice interactive activity school for all ages to enjoy
- Barrow of Bottles – It was discussed about how to ask for a donation of a new wheelbarrow at local builder merchants to run this stall and offer the wheelbarrow as part of the prize. The committee wondered if any parents with their own businesses would consider funding this.

LHa confirmed that the face painter – ‘MadHattie’ is booked and secured for the Fayre.

Parking

AK suggested the Corse Lawn Cricket Club just down the road from school as a solution if the common land cannot be used. It could be a safer solution, families can then walk along the common.

EC and/or LHa will email the Commons Committee about the option of parking on the common.

Local Advertising

All committee members to share on Local community WhatsApp/FB groups.

Countryside Day Nursery will also be asked to circulate the posters. LHa to send to Grace.

Woodpeckers Cricket Club will be asked to share a poster if possible.

Parish Magazine – SH to submit poster by 10th May

Actions: LHa to finalise plans with Pizza 2 U regarding power needs on site and timings.

Check in with Loyda regarding Ice cream van to see if we can book it/has been booked

AK to look into Fayre competitions/schedule – ask Julie

AK – ordering the banner

VW to order Rosettes – 1st/2nd/3rd Places – TBC on amount depending on categories

VW/TG to ask Y3 parent about biscuits for decorating

AK to ask Julia E regarding a treasure hunt that the children can do for an activity

AK to send artwork to JO for raffle tickets

LHa to send posters to CDN and Woodpeckers

SH to share poster with parish magazine

VW look into ordering wheelbarrow

AK contact Cricket Club as an alternative for parking

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3. Attracting New Committee Members

LHa raised the discussion around ideas to be able to attract new members to the committee to help support the school. It was noted that this next year there will be a natural turnover of some current members children leaving the school and so it would be great to have some new committee members. The following ideas were discussed.

- Organise a new parent letter to send out. This is something that is being worked on and hoping to send out either in July or September.
- Suggestion of a social event perhaps with an activity. Suggestion of a wine tasting evening as an option to explore.

4. A.O.B

Next meeting date – Thursday 5th June, 6pm at The Hunters. Followed by the Quiz for all that would like to attend.

SH and LHa mentioned EC having created a 'Welcome Pack' that could be given to new parents. A big thank you for this. This will be reviewed with Miss H and LHa to finalise with EC.

Discussed second hand uniform and if we need to share this more next academic year. AK offered to share this.

SB mentioned a possible grant that we could potentially apply for through ParentKind. The grant is for £2k towards a project in 25/26 academic year. This could be something useful for playground works if we are eligible to apply?

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