# **PTA/Hipsburn Friends Meeting**

29.09.16 Coach Inn, Lesbury

#### Present

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## **Apologies**

**Daniele Douglass Elly Chapple** Hannah Braidford Hazel Eccleston Penny Maloney Adele Johnston Helen Holden Lydia Archard **Beccy Morley** Stephanie Robinson [kerrie.sherwood@gmail.com]

## 1. Funding

LHo confirmed Kevin Maloney had been emailed, no response had been received but it was just before the end of school year. LHo to resend email to KM to move forward different ways of accessing funds available to the school e.g. Community Funds.

## 2. Success of Recent Events

Non Uniform

LHo confirmed £86 raised. Discussed and decided a Halloween Dress up day for last day of Autumn Term. LS to do flyer to send out via Amanda Solomon. £1 to come to school in Halloween Dress.

• Football Tournament

Very successful fundraiser even with little input. Cakes and Ice Cream and Sports Stall.

LS confirmed 17<sup>th</sup> of June (TBC) from Ryan Jobson. HB checked on Insurance she is still waiting to hear back. More children, more stalls, more fundraising. LS confirmed would need separate meeting and committee. Discussed not to use Morwick Ice Cream PTA to source supply of ice cream.

• Friary Day 17<sup>th</sup> July. LHo confirmed £42 in 10p raised from Friary Day with help from other parents running the stall. LHo to find out when 2017 date is idea to have another stall.

- Bag to School day. LHo confirmed £72 raised. LS confirmed 5 bags missed collection.
- 3. Wish List

LHo confirmed school had cheque for £800 from PTA. LS confirmed spent on Software £550. Playground Maintenance £250. LS confirmed MKM will donate materials to school.

Update on items on Wish List Money was spent on.

Educational City Software	£550 Received
Clicker 7 App (IPads)	
Develop Outdoor Area	
Refurbish Playground Area	£250 Received
Storytelling Chair	
Sports Hall	

4. Parent class representatives for PTA

Discussed the need for Parent Representatives so every year group has a point of contact. AD suggested somewhere have a photo of members of PTA. LH suggested at Entrance. Decided best to have photos on Website so parents know who they can contact.

LHo also confirmed the PTA suggestion box at Reception for parents to drop suggestions in to.

#### 5. Future Events

#### a.Develop Outdoor Area

Handy Parents Day discussed and provisionally arranged for 15<sup>th</sup>/ 16<sup>th</sup> October (changed to November). LS to liaise with Jo Johnson and Ronnie. LS confirmed previously discussed Willow Maintenance, Painting Tyres, Yard Paint, Gardening/ Ground Maintenance. LS confirmed JJ spoken to Ronnie and he is happy to take charge of Handy Parents. MKM confirmed donation of Materials. LS to get a clear idea from JJ as to what want/need.

LS informed that HB mentioned some of the materials from MKM will be used in developing the external library. LH confirmed looking into removing library from hall to create more space. Discussed possibility caravan/Shepherd's hut.

#### b.Storytelling Chair

LS confirmed flyers never went in bags and nothing has progressed. LH confirmed Harvest Festivals Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October too much going on. Decided to progress with chair at start of winter term. LS liaise with Danielle Gourley for story teller – Helen Ellis to come in to school for W/C 01.11.16 or week after.

Discussed that the chair design and library design to be tied together as a single project. LS suggested making contact with George Clarke who is from the North East may be interested in the facilitating the design (Amazing Spaces TV Programme).

#### c.End of Term Disco

LS confirmed that Jo Driscoll has booked Hindmarsh Hall for Halloween Birthday Party for her son and rest of reception class. Invite the rest of school to the party following on from the reception class party. Booked for 31.10.16 (Teacher Training Day) LS and LHo to meet with JD and BM to find out what has been arranged. JD suggested that arranged Trick or Treat for all school children around Alnmouth with Parents in groups. Children buy tickets and ticket would include a hot dog and a drink and bucket for Trick or Treat. Villagers in Alnmouth would be informed and if necessary provided with treats.

d. Bag for Life

LS confirmed HB has sourced supplier online. Sportsworld in Alnwick  $\pm 3.50$  per bag. Online .84p per bag. Discussed and agreed to place order for bags with Logo and School Name order placed in time for Christmas Fair.

e. Christmas Fair

Meet after half term to discuss further. LH confirmed Children enjoyed running stalls. Date to be confirmed. The week before the end of term proposed.

F. Raffle – LHo confirmed Lorna Pringle has a few donated raffle prizes. LHo to get an update from LP. Raffle to be held at Christmas Fair. *HE also offered to help with raising raffle prizes.* 

g. Easy Fundraising

LS confirmed that active account with Easy Fundraising need name change and new bank details. AI confirmed how it works, need to push parents and school to use particularly when purchasing Christmas presents. LS confirmed posters and leaflets etc. available. LS to liaise with Amanda Solomon to publicise to parents.

h. Bag to School day.

Agreed to do once a term. Noted it would be useful after Christmas. LHo to arrange for more bags.

i. Cauliflower Cards

LS confirmed has all the information. PTA would raise £1 for every pack of cards purchased. Agreed LS would order the packs. Each child sent home with information to design at home and return to school. Designs printed and turned into Christmas cards for purchase. LS to arrange for card design packs to go home for half term and collect first day back. j. Parent Social Evening

Salsa Evening to be discussed at next meeting. Agreed to have event in 2017 February / March 2017.

k. Louise Dawson Arbonne Pamper Evening

Agreed to be held near to Mother's Day in 2017.

l. Greys of Warkworth Christmas shopping evening.

KS to find out if they are still running Christmas Shopping evening.

## A.O.B

• Alnmouth Arts Festival

LS confirmed Penny Maloney is involved in the Arts Festival. Working towards a more Child Friendly Festival PM suggested involving the PTA – To be discussed at next meeting

• Fundraising for New Class Room / Sports Hall

LH confirmed school now needs an additional classroom for September 2017. KM in discussions with Governors / NCC. If fundraising done privately will aid with accessing funding and using non NCC contractors. Possibility of room to be used by the community which would help with fundraising. LH to check with KM what stage discussions are at.

• Sources of Funding

KW confirmed involved and granting funding to applications. KW confirmed various funds available could be accessed. Environmental Grant Programme – KW confirmed had emailed AS and it was confirmed school had accessed funding. KW confirmed up to £20,000 available for schools such as Gardening Clubs, Poly Tunnels etc. KW confirmed Raspberry Pie Funding available Encoding for Primary Schools, free computer kits and training teachers. LH confirmed would be beneficial. KW to do some research and report back.

Community Foundation funding, schools receive funding to help with trips to one off events e.g. Poppies displayed at Woodhorn. Funding for Christmas Activities. Funding sports gear and equipment help with items needed in schools. Music and Arts Festival funding, Artist/Musician resident in school funds available for access. Possibly funds available for access for Storytelling Chair and Library – KW to research and report back

## **Action Points**

**LHo** – to speak with Mr Maloney about involvement in community funding applications to help with fundraising for school. LHo to resend email to KM.

**LS and LHo –** to speak to Ryan Jobson for 2017 Football Tournament confirmed date.

**HB** – to report back on insurance for Tournament and stallholders.

**LS** – Liaise JJ for list of works needed to be done at Handy Parents Day. LS check with JJ and Ronnie suitable date.

**LS** – To order Cauliflower Card Design Packs for School.

**LS** – Liaise with AS for promoting Easy Fundraising. LS to ensure account has right name and bank details.

**DG-** To speak to Story Telling Friend come into school after half term. Flyers to be placed in school bags for ideas for design.

JD – To speak to Helen Ellis about Story Telling Chair.

**LP** – Look into crowd funding and report back

**LS** – Letter to parents for Parent Class Representatives.

**LS/LHo –** Speak with JD/BM about Halloween Party.

LHo – To re order bags for recycling.

**LS/LHo –** Order bags for life.

**KS** – Check if Greys of Warkworth doing a Christmas Shopping Evening.

**KW** – to report back to LH on Raspberry Pie Funding.

# **Date of Next Meeting**

After half term to discuss Christmas Fair.