

MINUTES FROM GOODRICH PTFA MEETING

Held on the 16th March 2017

<u>Names</u>	<u>Initials</u>
Attendees: Sara Harlow	SH
Sarah Williams	SW
Trevor Williams	TW
Rowan Carver	RC
Richard Mutlow	RM
Lucy Daniels	LD
Erika Rees	ER
Kirsty Hb	KH
Cal Carver	CC

1. Apologies

Sarah Hoffman
Helen Heeley

2. Funds and planned expenditure versus planned fund raising

RC started by discussing the PTFA funds, and in order to keep supporting the school, we need to try and raise more money.

RC showed a breakdown of the funds coming in and out, and there could be a shortfall next year of around £600 on current committed expenditure for the school and 2016 fund raising levels.

RM discussed if this year we need to pay for the theatre and residential trip Needs clarifying.

Subsequently confirmed that commitment for 2017 is £1000 contribution as school Konflux theatre trip has been cancelled due to lack of funding.

KH asked what has changed this year and why are we down on money raised. RC responded by saying that not much support, with the organising and attending. SW suggested a letter to parents advertising the PTFA and what we are trying to achieve.

RC wants to restart the Valentines disco next year.

ER/KH suggested a sporty evening in the summer that we can do outside using the pizza oven and do games. SW suggested doing egg and spoon race and sack race, and dressing up. TW concerned that the pizza oven may struggle to keep up with the demand if it was the only food. RC said it may be too close and conflict with summer fair. KH suggested keeping it simple and ordering the pizzas beforehand. TW suggested doing this event in May. KH has said that she will start to organise it and sort out the races and speak to Karen Miles. The proposed date is the 9th June.

SH mentioned banking and how some bank accounts will match what money is raised. RC was already going to look into this and TW will also ask HSBC.

RC suggested a fund raising idea based on what Walford Preschool has started. They do the Howling Bull Fun Run. RC to discuss with Graeme Thomas who has expressed an interest in organising such an event.

SW mentioned the Just Giving idea as a way of bringing in more funds. It costs £15 a month but can set things upon Facebook and people can donate.

SW said we could do a family walk in the new academic year, as a way of introducing new parents/children to the school and PTFA. If we do something similar in concept to the Scarecrow Trail in Goodrich which is successful. It was decided to try and do a simple Treasure Hunt/walk around Coppit Hill with entry fee and drinks/snacks at end.

SW suggested a black tie ball, having it as adults only, KH this could be a problem to people arranging babysitters etc.

RC suggested taking over the pub Quiz.

LD suggested doing Christmas bingo. Could do it mid-November, get the children involved and have it on a Friday night. SW suggested having in between the spooky disco and the Christmas fayre. LD will speak to Karen Miles about this.

It was agreed for 2017 to focus on the following Fundraising ideas:

- a) Bunny Drive – 24 March 2017
- b) Silver Smarties/Grow a Pound – April 7th/Easter holidays
- c) Family fun evening on school field with traditional games and Pizza oven – planned date: Friday 9th June. KH kindly volunteered to take control of this.
- d) Summer Fayre – Friday 7th July 2017
- e) Family walk/treasure hunt – October 2017 date TBC
- f) Spooky Disco – date TBC
- g) Lucy's Ludicrous Bingo
- h) Christmas Fayre (same afternoon format as 2016)
- i) Valentines Disco (Feb 18).

3. Bunny Drive – 24th March

RC has asked for some help at the Easter bunny Drive. KH volunteered to do the Raffle. RC Suggested getting Kate involved helping with the food. SW will do a board tomorrow to advertise the Bunny Drive. RC encouraged that we should all advertise it among the parents. ER asked if the children will be taught prior to the event. Everybody was unsure due to the fact it is on the same day as red nose day. RC and SW said we need more raffle prizes and that we should have a box in the PTFA cupboard where we can store raffle prizes. RC will purchase the food.

4. **Easter Hunt**, LD is going to get the lollies, and SW is going to chase getting the counters back.
5. RC suggested instead of grow a pound this year we should do Silver Smarties. All children receive a smarties tube and then aim to fill them up with 20p's for doing jobs etc. A full tube collects £12. Everyone agreed we should give it a go. SW will get the smarties. RC suggested we could read out anyone that does really well in celebration assembly. It could be done over the Easter Holidays; CC suggested getting 150 tubes to make sure we have enough.
6. The summer Fair will be the 7th July on the Friday night. SW will check the date with Karen Miles. RC asked if we are happy to do the same format. We need to start getting auction prizes, although RC suggested we focus on 5 big items as the auction went on for a long time last year. It was suggested maybe do a silent auction? Although CC said it may not make as much money. RC suggested Andy doing the music again, and Phil Cave, RC will ask them. SW suggested asking Miss Lilly about involving the choir or battle of the bands to perform. ER suggested it may be overwhelming for the bands to do that they may be too shy. SW said we should do international sock wrestling again. RC asked about having a dog show as well. RM and SW said this could be a lot of work. This will be decided nearer the time.
7. SW Suggested starting a toddler morning to raise funds. ER and LD expressed concerns about being able to use the school hall and security. SW said people could come in the side door, but she will discuss with Karen Miles.
8. Gardening club have asked for dome funding. RC and CC suggested we could give them some money and they could then provide a plant sale at the summer fair and raise money for the PTFA. Lynda has been approached and she will draw up a suggested budget for the PTFA to consider.
9. SW suggested starting a table top sale to raise extra funds. LD said it ,may not work due to the big car boot at labels
10. SH suggested sending letters to parents asking for donations to the raffle, however RM said it's been done before and not made much difference.
11. SW will start selling ice lollies next term on Friday.
12. LD will register for the Christmas cards.
13. The next meeting will be the **3rd May at 13:45** at the school.

Thank you!