



Coppleshstone Primary School PTA meeting
Wednesday 18th November Via Zoom

Present:

Claire Glover
Sarah Hancock
Kirsty Sharp
Tracy Hookway
Beth Mclaughlin-Bowdler
Lisa Camp
Lindsey Carpenter
Rachael Dallyn

Apologies:

Steph Saunders
Helen Olsson
Gill White

First item on the agenda; Christmas Cards

Mrs Mackey wanted to bring up christmas cards, the school doesn't really want everyone handing them out this year, she's suggested donating £1 to a charity instead. Something like Guide Dogs or a cancer charity. CG said the guide dogs is a nice idea as if they get enough money to sponsor a dog then the children can follow the progress of that dog.

Item to action; CG to let Mrs Mackey know that we all agreed that was a good idea.

Second item on the agenda; Christmas

This year the school will be letting children wear christmas themed clothing all week instead of just on one day. Christmas dinner will be a banquet style in each classroom.

Father Christmas can still come to the door and do lots of waving and Ho Ho Ho'ing and leave a bag of presents for each class.

LC said can we get the same chap we normally have to be Father Christmas and CG said she will ask him.

We chatted about present wrapping, perhaps each person wrap all the presents for one class. CG said to maybe wait until this lockdown period is over to see if restrictions are eased and we are able to meet to wrap.

We talked about the offer from Laverock Gardens to promote her wreath making boxes and any sales she then makes she will donate 10% to the PTA. BMB said it might seem a little strange to only work in conjunction with one business and perhaps would be better to have offers from other businesses too. Was decided that it was probably a bit short notice to facilitate this.

Christmas card order has been placed, there were 78 templates sent off, 68 people have put in orders of 119 items which is approximately £160. They should hopefully be back at the beginning of December.

Item to action; KS to let the lady from Laverock Gardens know that it isn't something we're looking at doing at the moment.

Third item on the agenda; Donkey Derby 10 July 2021

CG has been in contact with the person that supplies the Donkey Derby and they have quoted roughly £650.

CG said can BMB approach the Coppelstone Recreation Association to see if they would consider funding half each with the PTA. BMB said that should be okay but would need to double check as they will also be funding the fireworks as they have been rescheduled for next year.

BMB said that the CRA will need to check with the football committee re having the Donkey Derby on the field because of having donkeys on the pitch. BMB has also contacted the church as they usually run the tea tent.

The Chap that supplies the donkeys said that he will also give a % from the donkey rides to the PTA/CRA. CG said that Simon Archer ran it in the past and she has asked if he would help this time and he has agreed.

CG said as we wont get a lot of other fund raising opportunities should we make the Donkey Derby more like the Family Fun Day with stalls and food to help raise more funds. Also BMB has a spread sheet which shows how much money each stall made last year so that we can plan what stalls to include.

LC said that a tea tent/bbq/bouncy castle will help to keep people there for longer.

CG said maybe the year 6's can do part of their perforce too, perhaps towards the end to keep people there till the end to see it.

We haven't decided on a time for the derby yet, the fun day is usually 12-4.

LC asked if someone else could take on the sourcing of raffle prizes this year as she will not have time.

CG mentioned that she's conscious that we need to keep it as an affordable event particularly given the current situation. BMB said Kelly's donated a lot of meat to the last fun day and Tesco also donated items.

Item to action; BMB to give CG CRA clerks email address to lease re helping fund the Donkey Derby

Fourth item on the agenda; Benefactors

Benefactors are meant to restart in January, we usually contact Jonathan Woods, A & S paving, Kelly's and Ashgrove Kitchens, are there any other ideas of who we could contact.

BMB suggested the new sweet place in Crediton as the lady is from Coplestone. LC said we could ask Carter Geering. TH said maybe try the Plant Shed and maybe The Dumpling. CG suggested Blakes Builders. LC suggested N W Carpentry. suggested Planet Play and A.J Window cleaning. LC is happy to put the letters together as she already has an updated template.

KS said she could ask at Graphics as they bought Heywood's a new digital camera recently.

Next meeting date will be fixed in the new year when we know whether we will be able to meet face to face or not.