

## **Horsington School PTFA AGM**

**07 October / 3.30pm / School Playground**

### **Attendees**

Abby Spoors (AS), John Cashman (JC), Lindsay Coles (LC), Jo Unsworth (JU), Ruth Keenlyside (RK), Terri Mills (TM), Victoria Mitchell (VM), Izzy Mykura(IM),

### **Apologies**

Anna Franklin, Jo Wickstead, Steve Miles, Mary Alexander, Karen Allum

### **Minutes from previous meeting**

Agreed by AS and TM

### **Matters arising from previous meeting**

Nothing addressed at this meeting.

### **Chair's Review of the Year**

I would like to personally say to everyone involved with the PTFA in raising money for Horsington Church School, well done and thank you very much for your continued support. It's been a better year with some more normality brought back to home and school life. We of course as a PTFA have had a very different year in terms of fundraising as we haven't been able to hold the events annually, we normally do but nevertheless we have all been busy coming up with new and exciting fundraising ideas.

Over the past year the PTFA have had raised has unfortunately made a loss of -£540.36 this was expected due to covid-19 and restrictions. Within the year we raised £1,880.85 profit and have had £2,421.48 worth of expenditure.

The committee has been ever changing over the year we have had 3 members step down due to own circumstances, but it is with thanks to Ellen, Victoria and Millie for all the work and fab ideas you brought it is appreciated.

Once again, we have had cancellations of our main fundraising event our Summer Fete it was with great disappointment, we had to cancel therefore meaning we had no major fundraising event this year. With the addition of Glastonbury also not going ahead we have lost additional funds. Without this necessary money coming in we are running low on much needed funds for the second year in a row.

Due to the national covid-19 pandemic we had to cancel further coffee mornings, easter hunt, spring scavenger hunt, end of term BBQ and bingo night. However, we are hopeful we can run similar events soon.

2020/2021 saw the PTFA continue to pursue other events and fundraising efforts amid the Covid-19 pandemic:

1. Recycled clothing bank
2. Carrot growing competition
3. Second-hand uniform
4. Eco balloon racing
5. 50/50 club
6. IQ Cards
7. Christmas raffle
8. Easter hamper

That's not all of what we had planned to do this year but with the circumstances I think we did incredibly well and were off to a fantastic start, but I think we all agree events well worth doing and organising, with our experience and feedback into doing them gives us the opportunities to make them even better next time.

So, what about what the PTFA have spent the funds on? To name a few: -

- We've been able to commit £510 towards the swimming lessons for the whole school over this academic year even though it was only part used due to the covid-19 it was pledged.
- We've been able to allocate £428.00 towards the Kilve court residential trip.
- We have paid £187.50 for the leaver's books for each child in year 6.
- The PTFA have managed to buy new resources for the children to use on the playground.
- Yet again we have been fortunate enough to be able to offer a contribution towards all school trips to help the school to be able to make school trips as affordable to parents as possible before the lockdown was imposed.

As a PTFA we continuously ask parents for feedback on how people wish to see the funds spent, and we will continue to do this.

Its with huge thanks to long standing member of the committee Jo Wickstead who is stepping down this year after a long haul on the committee a thank you for all your hard work and dedication always helping when you can we are glad we haven't lost you completely and look forward to supporting you as our new school teacher.

So as chairperson i would like to take this opportunity to say "Thank you" for all the hard work and dedicated work and efforts shown by all in helping to lighten the load of the behind the scenes work. I am very grateful too for the ongoing support from the head teacher, Mrs Ham, all the staff and governors . I hope that the PTFA keeps going from strength to strength and has many new faces with new ideas who will come forward to help with the fundraising activities for the forthcoming year. After all we are all doing this for the benefit of our very own children.

### **Treasurer's review of the year**

VM echoed the Chairs report on the year finances. VM also said the accounts are fully audited and have been submitted and is fully prepared ahead for the next review. VM was pleased in respect to the last 18 months we have gone through the accounts are holding fairly well and we can once again commit our usual funds towards school for swimming, Kilve court trip, Trips, Leavers books.

### **Plans for the forthcoming year**

- Summer fete- Vintage agreed
- Christmas gifts- idea to come in
- Sunflower growing competition
- Balloon race – agreed for Christmas time
- IQ cards- well underway
- Sponsored walk
- Auction of promises

### **Nomination of new Committee**

**Chair:** Terri Mills- nominated by VM and seconded by AS

Vice chair- Abby Spoors- nominated by TM seconded by JC

**Secretary:** Karen Allum - nominated by TM and seconded by RK

**Treasurer:** Victoria Mitchell- nominated by AS and seconded by IM

**50:50 Club Co-ordinator:** Terri Mills - nominated by JC and seconded by AS.

**Committee Members:** Anna Franklin, Steve miles, Ruth Keenlyside, Lindsey Coles, John Cashman, Jo Unsworth, Ali Mykura, Izzy Mykura.

Total- 12- AMAZING!!

### **Vote on change to constitution regarding auditing of accounts**

As informed committee of formal change that auditing of accounts is no longer needed due to our charity not raising over £25,000 however the annual figures of profit and expenditure must still be uploaded to the charity commission when required by the chairperson and to avoid time delays. However it is a good idea to at least have them checked over VM would also like this to happen JC offered to look over the accounts and liaise with VM and TM . see attached document for accounts.

### **Any other business**

AS informed the committee we will require a new account signatory as Jo Wickstead Previous member will need to be replaced.

### **Date and time of next meeting:**

TBC