



Minutes for Cavendish PTA meeting 10.11.2015

Attendees – Dawn Lappin, David Griffiths, Helen Cooper, Rachael Myers, Lorna Cook, Simon Manning, Caroline McGillard, Catherine Mckinnon, Faheem Akhtar, Petra Lewis, Michael Davies

Apologies – Jen Barnes, Helen Burton, Rob King, Rosheen Hanley, Nicola Sherlock, Cath Alnuamaani

Financial Update

Account Balance – currently waiting for some money to be paid in and some expenses to go out but balance currently stands at £5040.88

TAR & 2013/14 Accounts – the forms have all now been completed and are awaiting auditing. Simon Manning to follow up and complete by Christmas.

We thanked Simon for his hard work as PTA Treasurer over the last 5 years and gave him a small gift as a way of saying thank you for his service to the PTA over this time.

Marketing Up-Date

PTA Case study and autumn newsletters have both gone out and seemed to be received well. Plans for a Winter Newsletter to go out in January **HB**

News Stand – Garry has been asked to make a stand and it is currently in progress **DL**

Poster Sites – we are now using 2 poster sites and keeping them up to date with the latest PTA news. **DL**

PTA Website – Helen Burton has scheduled some time in to looking at updating the PTA website in the New Year **HB**

Updates On Events Since Last Meeting

Cake Sale – This was hugely popular and cakes sold out very fast. The sale raised £338.49 which is to be split 50/50 with Macmillan. Awaiting pay in details from Macmillan to pay the money in.

Spooky Bonfire Disco – Another successful event, raised £785.28

Christmas Cards – we had a good response from this, plan to get it in motion earlier next year to allow parents more time to get the children to do their designs. It was discussed if the artwork could be done in school but agreed that it would be difficult. Has raised £179.20

One Family Award – We were not successful with our bid. A feeling that the after school club project didn't affect enough parents so we lost out on votes, also the voting process





was slow which put some people off. This is an annual award so will look to apply next year with a project that encompasses more of the students.

Rock Over – the PTA event organised by Rock Over was very popular and raised £200

Future Events

Christmas Raffle – we have had a very good response from local businesses and have a broad range of prizes. Tickets have gone to press this week and will be sold as follows

- 1 book per child in book bags
- Selling in the playground in the run up to the school fair
- On sale during the Christmas fair
- Discuss with the Albert Club if they would be willing to sell some for us
- Helen Cooper said that some of the Reception staff could also help sell tickets,
 DL to ask Claire Powell if Nursery staff could do the same.

Christmas Fair – 4th December. Reindeers have been booked, need to see if we can find a photographer willing to take pictures.

Sub Committee to be made to discuss plans further – Rachel Myers, Caroline McGillard, Catherine Mckinnon, Lorna Cook, Petra Lewis and Dawn Lappin all agreed to take part.

Quiz Night – Will look at running in the NY

Railings Rally – Garry is looking to start cleaning the railings up in Spring, once this has started we will look at asking if some parents will come along and help paint etc. Still need to see if we can get any Heritage Money towards the project. **DG** to investigate

Cavfest – With the current building works it was felt that a Cavfest for 2016 may not be possible, look to running in 2017

Clarins/Fashion Show – May turn this into more of a community event and get local businesses involved in running a fashion show, wine and cheese event instead. **DL** to research for a possible Spring/Summer 16 event.

Cinema Night – Looking at running 2 sessions for KS1 and KS2. Need to discuss the logistics separately – **DL**, **DG**, **CM**

Bop Cavendish – This will only be possible if we can find a location off site to hold it. **CMcG** to investigate

Camp Out – Look and doing a Campout on the school field next year. May be children's first opportunity to camp. Could maybe be held alongside another event (summer fair?) – To be discussed further at next meeting.





Teachers Requests for Funds

Climbing Frame for Nursery – Rachel Myers put a case forward needing funds to re surface the ground underneath the proposed climbing frame. School to fund actual climbing frame. **£1500 needed.**

Reception play Equipment – Helen Cooper put a case forward for new play equipment. Current equipment feeling the effects of the larger intake. £1000 needed

Michael Davies - Request for 10 new Glockenspiels for years 3&4. £169 needed

Michael Davies – Year 4 do an end of year trip to Blackpool Zoo. This year they are 3 forms and struggling to finance it. They plan to raise some money towards it (need £800) by an in year activity but request **£600**.

David Griffiths on behalf of Rosheen Hanley – Y5&6 interventions resources are running low. Need to re stock on Lego Therapy, Sensory Messy Play equipment and invest in some Skylanders per children's requests. £500 needed.

Some people present said that they had some Skylanders that they could donate/lend – **CMcG**, **RM**

Total request total £3769

Agree to Fund the following;
Nursery Climbing frame - £1500
Glockenspiels - £169
Blackpool Zoo trip (part fund) - £400
Reception Equipment - £1000
Intervention Resources - £500

Cavendish PTA have agreed to donate a total of £3569 to the school to fund the above projects.

AOB

Helen Cooper – Now running Forest School from the playing field and realising that it needs some TLC. May need some financial input long term but in the short term could do with looking at getting a working party together to cut back brambles etc enabling more of the space to be used.

School Build – Now starting to move along quickly, brick crusher arriving next week to crush the rubble to then use that as the foundation for the new build.

The next phase of the project will be to re wire the school. The revamp of the Annexe will be part of this phase. Date TBC.

Date of Next Meeting – Wednesday 13th January 7pm 2016.