



Elmbridge Primary School PTA Meeting - Minutes

9/2/2022 – 7:30pm

Attending - Beccy Smith (Chair)

Anne Radley

Aimee Evans (Chair)

Gemma Standen (Treasurer)

Bex Wright (Secretary)

Alex Wright

Di Howard

Nikki Ayres

Tracey Creswell

Andy Hubble - Star fireworks

Ali Cowdrey

Apologies - Ashleigh Ovens

Bindu Law

Jessica Mansfield

Glen Tharia

Amanda Holiday

Clare Jenkins

Fireworks Low Noise

Andy from Star Fireworks is with us to talk about a low noise Firework display.

The complaints we receive from our display are actually quite minimal, however we are aware it affects animals and residents nearby.

Low noise musical displays are more expensive than the display we currently have, so this is something we could not stretch our funds to.

Low noise fireworks do not have the classic look of a large display high in the sky due to the nature of no explosion.

The low noise fireworks are smaller and lower in the sky, we simply will not be able to give the same type of display high in the sky with a big finale. Lower noise fireworks run the risk of people at the back of the crowd not being able to see the display.

We asked about a laser show but they are also very expensive likewise are drones.

Andy said that we are a well known established event and would run the risk of losing customers if we suddenly change our display.

After a long discussion with Andy from Star fireworks the general feeling was if we changed the display to low noise we would run the risk of ticket loss and with this event being our biggest earner of the year that's a huge risk to take.

We have a couple of months to confirm which type of display we would like.

We thought about asking parents what their thoughts are.

Rags2Riches

Rags2Riches is booked for the morning of the 15th Feb

A poster has been made for social media.

Uniform Sale

On Friday 18th we have the school hall from 1:30pm to set up for an after school uniform sale. Sum up machine needs programming and a float needs to be sorted. We thought it might be a nice idea to look into selling naming kits or marker pens.

Raisin Challenge

Asda have donated 400 boxes of raisins.

A picture of the donation drop off being made along with some pupils from school will be put on the Asda website.

The PTA are going to purchase the rest of the boxes needed (230) from Asda.

The prize for the class that raises the most money will be a non uniform day.

Sticky labels for the boxes are £4.50 for 600 Beccy Smith will purchase these.

Boxes to be back in school but the 1st March

Glen Tharia will announce the winners in assembly on the 4th March.

Break the Rules day

Posters have been given to the school and teachers to keep them informed.

ParentPay to be set up.

World book day 3rd March

Di Howard is going to find out if the children are dressing up this year.

Costume hire posters for social media have been made.

Colour run/ fun run - Easter

Beccy and Bex looked into costing of a colour run, the initial outlay is high.

Ministry of colour - £579

Running Imp colours - £475 which would cover 250 people.

All powders are biodegradable.

We could provide white t-shirt for pre-order.

The alternative to the colour run is an Easter fun run, 8th April.

Entry fee to be agreed and there would be a prize on completion.

We talked about the run being a sponsored event but the school already has planned a sponsored event later this year.

We need to confirm what we would like to do by the next meeting if possible.

Banking

We currently have £15,185.07 in our account.

We are still waiting on £1000 from Persimmon Homes, David Wilson Homes may also be donating.

Well-being Cabin

Di Howard - In process of getting quotes but the county council have questions. A meeting is going to be arranged with them.

AGM June

Please could all members think about what they would like to do for next year.

PTA Shed

The PTA shed is being used by Reception to store outdoor toys. We would like to arrange an alternative space for this as we can't easily access items we store in there. Maybe we could supply a smaller outdoor storage unit for Reception.

Date and Time of next meeting

Tuesday 15th March @ 7.30pm via zoom (Link to follow)

******NOTE******

The PTA are always looking for new members that would like to pitch in and help at events or attend meetings to discuss new ideas and upcoming events.

Without your help these events would not take place and valuable funds would not be raised to help further our children's education.

If you would like to get involved or know more about what the PTA do please contact elmbridgeprimaryschool@yahoo.co.uk alternatively speak to Beccy Smith or Aimee Evans.

NB: Events and physical meetings have been suspended but we still welcome support and ideas so please do get in touch.

