



## AGM St Thomas's School PTFA.

September 2021

**Attendees:** Jess Abba (chair), Rebecca Whitehead (vice-chair), Kelly Hill, Maggie Cole, Rachel Miller, Kathryn Lehm, Beth Booker, Helen Towler, Louise Ashton, Rebecca Preston (Treasurer), Ellen Diccico (secretary).

**Apologies:** Aimee Williams, Helen Finch, Katie Wilson, Ann Hoe, Justin Dean, Jemma Moorby.

1. AGM explained and introductions made.

2. Nominations:

Kelly Hill nominated Rebecca Preston (treasurer) and this was seconded by Helen Towler.

Helen Towler nominated Ellen Diccico (secretary) and this was seconded by Rebecca Preston.

Rebecca Preston nominated Jess Abba (Chair) and this was seconded by Kelly Hill.

Ellen Diccico nominated Rebecca Whitehead (Vice- chair) and this was second by Jess Abba.

3. **Treasurer's report.**

PTFA Treasurers Report – Sept 21 (Financial Year 20-21)

Despite the restrictions due to Covid-19 we have still had a successful year of fundraising, finding different ways to raise money. Overall we have raised over £4000 during the course of the year. The Smarties challenge gave us a profit of £711.19, Morrison's kindly donated a lot of the Smarties needed and each class received a certificate thanking them for joining in the Kindness Challenge.

We have held 3 squares raffles generating £600 plus £200 matched funding from Morrison's. We also received £300 from the Asda green tokens collection. Matched funding is a really easy way of generating cash for school – please can all members new and old check with their employers to see if they operate a matched funding scheme.

**Other fundraisers included:**

- Selling pre loved uniform
- Christmas Jumper day (£133.87)
- Charity Tins (£186.00)
- Christmas Cards/mugs (£250.50)
- Knitted Easter chicks (£201.12)
- Xmas Packs/Letters to Santa (£168.51)

We are very grateful to Katie Wilson for organising another successful Summer Fun raffle via an online platform, this raised £1236.60.

**Spending this year is as follows:**

- New Chairs for classrooms (£1137)
- Tablets for Home School (135.95)
- Reception Garden (£6432.80)
- Leavers gifts for Y6 (£228.76)
- Comida Trip Y5 (£115.00)



- Willow for Art day (£180.00)
- Y6 Leavers books (165.60)

There is still an outstanding donation to be made to Y4 for gardening equipment, we pledged £200.

Closing Balance at the end of August 2021: £3818.07

Mrs Cole will follow up how much year 4 need for the gardening project.

#### 4. General Discussion:

- Suggestions from teachers for things to be funded. Replacing the waterproofs set in a specific colour. Loose parts play (planks, crates, bricks etc.) which they use for building/ imaginative play, possibly a package from Ragtag. Maybe playground markings. RP will look around at prices for this. Mr Newton looking into The Dukes for a theatre trip.
- Pub Quiz scheduled for Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October 7.30pm to start at 8pm. Raffle prizes needed. JA has spoken to George about the church chairs. Scott is quizmaster. Phil will sort the pies and cutlery. Going environmentally friendly. The prize money will come out of the funds. Tickets on sale from tonight at the school and the pub reception. Raffle tickets.
- ED to apply for Christmas Tree festival.
- Christmas cards. School are happy for this to go ahead and support the children to design the cards. JA will look into this again.
- Virtual raffle was a hit maybe do another one for a different time.
- Christmas plays. Kitchen (at the church) not open yet for large groups. Suggested perhaps a virtual Christmas raffle with the hampers.
- Disco- possibly in learning hubs. Christmas theme. MC will check about whether the disco equipment needs pat testing.
- Cinema nights. Staff are enthusiastic about bringing this back. Suggested beginning of November for movie night. Three different films in hubs and age-appropriate films. Discussed Natasha's law. Becca will look this up on Parent Kind.
- Cake sale can go ahead but we need an ingredient list for each cake. Cake sale on 22<sup>nd</sup> of October. Cake bake sale poster.
- School street discussed. This was felt to be a good idea but difficult perhaps to implement. Possibly to be looked into further.

**Next meeting 24<sup>th</sup> of November 7.30pm at the New Union.**