

Holy Family Catholic Primary School
PTFA Meeting Wednesday 18th September 2013

Present:

H. Gregory, A.Telfer, M. Evans, T.Taylor, A.Billington, L.Bate, N. Collins-Stuart, C. Collins-Cowan, D. Moss.

Apologies:

Mrs Cook-Hannah, Ms Connolly, Mrs Swift, Mrs Hannah.

Agenda:

- 1. Welcome & Introductions**
- 2. Framework for 2013/14**
- 3. New ideas for fundraising**
- 4. Any Other Business**
- 5. Date/time/location of next meeting**

Framework for 2013/14

NC queried why a framework of events was already in place before any meetings had taken place and also that new members would not be aware of this meeting as the details had not been in the newsletter nor posted on the noticeboard. HG explained that the framework was a list of last year's events for us to add to and expand upon. AT apologised for the lack of anything on noticeboard, it was an oversight and future meetings/ events will be posted from now on. CC asked if we could hand out flyers on the playground to new parents to let them know what we do. ME responded that all new parents were informed at their new parents meeting (AT spoke on behalf of PTFA at the meeting). However, it was agreed that flyers would be a good idea - TT to arrange. HG confirmed that although the school newsletter was recalled, lots of parents were able to read it and notices were also posted on our Facebook page. It was suggested that we hold a "Cheese & Wine" evening again to encourage new members. AT explained that although funds were almost wiped out, **(due to recent purchase of storage furniture)** there was still a small amount in the bank account to pay for this. CC offered to pay for the wine. A date was set for this for 3rd October in school. This will be the day after Reception's coffee morning so that we can remind all new parents. A notice to be put up on the notice board. This will not be a formal meeting but a chance for members old & new to get to know each other and discuss ideas.

Bags 2School - CC requested that this be done in October as heavy snow is forecast for November. AT to telephone the company and request this. A date for a collection in spring will also be arranged.

Scary Disco - this will be opened up to the whole school on a first come first served basis. Not practical or cost effective to have 2 separate discos as KS2 children generally not interested. Date decided for 29th October. AT to book Steve (Disco) ME to obtain new telephone number to book the church club.

Xmas - 2 discos will be held for this. However, need to discuss new ideas for KS2 disco at next meeting. Provisional dates of 4th and 5th December to be confirmed at next meeting.

Xmas cards - NC suggested that we do something different this year as this has become “stale”. ME disagreed and said that the younger children were very keen on doing these and that we had only been doing them for the last 2 years. HG confirmed that we raised over £350 on them last year. CC suggested that we do other items such as tea towels or calendars and that she would look into suppliers. HG to obtain prices from current supplier. Agreed that this would be in conjunction with the Xmas cards.

Xmas plays - NC and CC suggested having “Santa” collecting at the school plays. ME explained that the school already hold raffles and sell refreshments and reindeer food at these events and that parents would feel put upon if asked for yet more money at what is an expensive time of year for most people. This money already goes in to school funds. NC requested that we be given information about how these funds are spent as some people think that it is PTFA money. CC and NC requested that the idea be forwarded to Mrs Hannah. HG agreed to do this and report back at next meeting.

Any Other Business:

DM suggested using match funding or £ for £ to raise additional funds. AT to provide her with information to enable this.

DM also to enquire how we obtain Lottery funding and report back at next meeting (Cronton Cof E already obtained this)

CC suggested using GiftAid and volunteered to look in to what it entails. HG to also look into this and report back at next meeting.

Date of Next Meeting: Wed 16th October, 7PM in The Unicorn.