



PTFA Open Meeting

Thursday, 27th February 2025

Introduction

The Parent-Teacher-Friends Association (PTFA) is delighted to announce an open meeting on Thursday, 27th February 2025. This meeting is an excellent opportunity for parents, teachers, and friends to come together, discuss important topics, and participate in the ongoing development of our school community.

Agenda

- Welcome and Introduction: Opening remarks and an introduction to the meeting's objectives.
- Review of Previous Minutes: Discussion and approval of the minutes from the last meeting.
- Financial Report: Presentation of the current financial status and recent expenditures.
- Upcoming Events: Planning and discussion of upcoming events and initiatives, including fundraising activities.
- Volunteer Opportunities: Information on how to get involved and contribute to the PTFA's efforts.
- Open Floor: An open forum for attendees to voice their ideas, suggestions, and concerns.
- Closing Remarks: Summary of the discussions and outlining the next steps.

Details

- Date: Thursday, 27th February 2025
 - Time: 7.15 PM - 8:15 PM
 - Location: School
- 1) Welcome and Open the meeting –
 - A) Attendees – JH, EM, CG, RA, ZA
 - B) Apologies – None
 - 2) Previous meeting minutes – as per the last minutes the main subject was the forming of the new PTFA team since Coral etc stepped down. We can confirm the 4 of us took over. Sadly Ellener has decided that due to unforeseen circumstances she will no longer be able to carry on with her role as Secretary. We have confirmed that the remaining three will carry on the roles of the committee and Mr Averis has welcomed this and thanked us for being able to carry on.
 - 3) Treasurers update – In the bank as of 25th Feb was £5882.95. We do still have £3226.83 to pay out for the Friendship bench, night cam and for the new bark area. This leaves us with 2656.12 but we have commitments this year to pay towards so we really need to make sure our future events coming up are successful. – Mr Averis has said there are some issues with the materials for the bench, this is why this hasn't been invoiced and finalised yet. The new bark area invoice will be looked into.

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- 4) Events since we took over – Autumn Raffle which raised £643, Rags 2 Riches £66.34, Xmas Disco £878.32, Xmas Bauble Comp £25.92, Nativity refreshments £462.02 and uniform sales £56.18. The total amount we have raised so far is £2131.78.

We have used the money raised to go towards the cinema trip, Heage Brass band and freddos, 23/24 Caterpillar request, Christmas Books for nursery and reception and the Santa visit (this is in lieu of the cinema trip).

We would like to thank again all the volunteers we had especially to help run the disco as without you we wouldn't have been able to put it on. So, a big thank you and hope you are available again for the Easter disco. If you would like to get involved more with the PTFA then please speak to one of us and we would love to discuss this with you.

- 5) The future funding requests we have received so far is for the Caterpillars project that will take place in April. The living Eggs project for the reception children this is to take place in May. Mrs Carvell is planning a project for reflection / spiritual area in the playground. Mr Averis has already started planning Christmas 2025! This year we are hoping to fund a pantomime. The prom is in July, Zoe one of the parents planning this, we have agreed our help on the basis that they make sure everyone benefits from the donated money, therefore if any child can't attend the prom they will still be able to receive a token gift bag. We thought this was fair so every year 6 benefits from the money. Zoe confirmed that the prom is being organised and plans are in place, they will send us any invoices to pay over the funds and also we may need to send an amount to cover any other expenses. This will be liased to us. Also the new starter bears to be given out at the new parents meeting in June. Our upcoming events are the Easter Raffle Wed 2nd April – we have approached many businesses and have some great prizes. The Easter Colouring Competition – drawn on Friday 4th April, best coloured egg per class wins a chocolate treat. Kindly donated by Vetcare@home. High Heel Creative have kindly donated the printing of the Easter Eggs like they did for the bauble competition. The Easter disco is Thursday 24th April. We will be using the same DJ who was a great hit with the children, and an added treat from the Easter Bunny! The Colour run is Thursday 19th June – back up date Wed 9th July. New starter parents meeting – Thursday 26th June and finally the Sports day refreshments in July. We welcome ideas for the new year starting in September so if you have any ideas for events please come and chat to us. None were put forward.

- 6) Any other business??? – None.

- 7) Date and time of next meeting – propose to be held at school so we can hold it straight after the new starters meeting on Thursday 26th June. Mr Averis confirmed this was a good idea as may catch new parents and get them involved. 7pm start.

- 8) AGM proposed date for September is Thursday 25th September 2025. – Confirmed date with Mr Averis.

- 9) Thank you and close the meeting.