



Dorin Park PTA Meeting

Thursday 25 November 2021

Minutes

Time and Location

7.30pm – Home via Microsoft Teams

Present

Lesley Body, Amanda Hartley, Maxine Nevitt, Bridget Aldridge, Lucy Lee, Gillian Driscoll, Graham Davies, Karen Nash, Jay Hartley.

Apologies

Helen Muggleton, Amanda Glennon, Lisa Robertshaw, Vicky Roberts, Naomi Cowley, Nicole Luijnenburg, Sarah Adam.

Actions from previous meeting

- Karen – Has applied for the CO-OP local community fund. Apparently we have not been chosen but Karen will ask for feedback from CO-OP as she's not heard anything - ongoing
- Lesley – B&Q have put a stop on 'community reuse' scheme for now, but Lesley will check again in the new year – ongoing
- Collection tubs: we now have 6 tubs out at the following locations: Coop Hope Farm, Coop in Hoole, Starbucks Greyhound Park, post office in Dodleston, the Pavilion in Upton, Queensferry HiQ, The Cheese Wedge in Chester market. Karen has given one to ? (couldn't hear the name, sorry).
Everyone – Lesley has 4 larger buckets left and 5 smaller tubs, so please let her know if anyone knows of a place to put one.
Nicole – check if the Coop in Hoole is still happy to keep ours as they seem to tend to support more mainstream / nationwide charities.
- Amanda – to share on social media how pro-active we are, to promote the PTA and recruit more volunteers.
Karen – will make a list of the top five earners for us are.
- Lesley has emailed Asda in Chester and filled in their application form to be put forward for their Green Tokens for Feb / March.

- Amanda – to push on social media to ask people to shop online via Easy Fundraising
- Karen – to have a look at Just Giving to see how to set up different events on there so that people can easily see and choose who they are donating to.

Treasurer Report

Update Karen:

Received:

£38	Easy fundraising
£168.90	School lottery
£78.05	Roberts Recycling
£108.60	Halloween own clothes-day
£168.89	Various donations
£200	Donations through Claire & Neil McKelvey's bonfire event
£41.44	Initial donations through Sarah's dad's dirt track
£91	Santa Sack money so far, closes on 3 December (not included in the grand total in the back yet – Karen to add to the next treasurer report)

Sarah's Holland's dad (Archie's grandad) owns a dirt track (for motorbikes etc) and they have an open day on 18 December on which they're happy for Sarah to go around with collection buckets & tubs for the PTA. They asked if they can come into school early 2022 to show the kids their bikes – Lucy will try to arrange a date with them.

Spent:

£36	Just Giving fees
£30	Big Yellow Storage (2 months)
£120	Pebbles for school
£9.20	Halloween raffle prizes
£26.48	Raffle stuff

In the bank:

£17,745.69 This includes £5000 which we've allocated for the playgrounds.

Roberts Recycling

Lesley will look at the next date in 2022: agreed was March, May, July and November.

Dorin's Fashion Boutique

Louis' scout group is doing a Christmas fair on 12 December and Lesley will take some Boohoo clothes (£10 a table).

Lesley – to look into hiring the room in the Pavilion on a Saturday in 2022 and put tables with Boohoo stuff out on tables put around the edge of the room (costs about £16 an hour but we may get a discount). And to set up an online closing down sales.

After these two events it was agreed that we should leave the online shop for now. We've done great though in the past before Covid and have made more than £1000!

PTA events

Amanda and Lucy explained that we need to be mindful how many / when we choose our fundraising and donations events as there are (especially in the run up to Christmas) so many (national) events happening already where people are asked for donations and it can get quite costly.

Lucy – will make a list with dates where school is asking for donations / organising fundraise events already and will try to fit in dates for the PTA to do the same so that it is all spread out a bit more.

Christmas

Some great things have been organised in school like a culture week (to learn about Christmas in different countries), some classes going to see Oliver Twist in Story House, a Christmas market with stalls where the children can purchase items (hot chocolate & marshmallows will be paid for by the PTA), DJ Jay is organising a Christmas disco, there will be a Christmas diner day and a Christmas / favourite jumper day (£1 voluntary donation for the PTA), Santa Grotto, nativity (on video) and an Achievers Assembly.

The PTA will give a little gift to each child (chocolate or a small gift for the children who can't have chocolate).

Birch class will go to William's Wood to help cutting the Dorin Park's Christmas tree down.

A Christmas raffle will be drawn on 15 December. Thanks everyone for the donations and asking enterprises for vouchers!

Fundraising Ideas

Our regular fundraisers that keep us ticking over are:

- School lottery
- Easy fundraising
- Roberts recycling
- Our quarterly raffles

AOB

Thank you cards, made by Dorin's children, will be sent out to Claire & Neil, Starbucks, Moston Garage, Party Time Mascots, Big Yellow Storage and the shops where our collection tubs are.

Next PTA Meeting

Next meeting is booked for Thursday 20.01.2022 at 7.30pm via Microsoft Teams.

Nicole Luijnenburg 06/01/2022

Attachments:

* Treasurer Report