



# Dorin Park PTA AGM Meeting

## Wednesday 21 May 2025

### Minutes

#### **Time and Location**

7.30pm – Teams

#### **Present**

Lesley Body, Nicole Luijnenburg, Bridget Aldridge, Becky Hanna, Gillian Driscoll, Maxine Nevitt, Jane Rowlinson, Jennifer Ellams, Naomi Cowley, Claire McKelvey.

#### **Apologies**

Amanda Hartley, Sarah Adam, Karen Nash, Yvonne Winstanley, Jay Hartley, Sharon Marsh, Lisa Robertshaw, Helen Muggleton,.

#### **Items to be minuted**

'Men in Sheds' have delivered the notice board. Claire asked if we still want the water table made by them. **Action – Claire will check with them what they would charge for a water table (frame and guttering).**

#### **Actions from previous meeting**

- **Nicole – B&Q 'community reuse' scheme – ongoing.** Nicole has registered for the Wickes Community Programme and the Neighbourly platform for B&Q – **action to follow that up with Wickes store Manager.**
- **Everyone – to keep using Easyfundraising while shopping online – ongoing.**

#### **Treasurer Report**

See attachment.

## Fundraising Ideas

Our regular fundraisers that keep us ticking over are:

- School lottery
- Easyfundraising
- Roberts recycling: 16 July and 12 November
- Our quarterly raffles

## Spring Fair

\*6 June will be 'own clothes day' with voluntary donations of pre-packed cakes, bottle/chocolates for our tombola stall. Letters to parents have been sent out in the meantime.

\***Raffle - action** – 6 June raffle letter will be sent out by Maxine. Maxine will need to know what prizes we have (Gillian will do a summer hamper, Claire has 2 hampers to donate, we have been given a free AirHop family pass worth £67, Morrisons Ellesmere Port has donated a hamper, Nicole will do a Port & cheese hamper)

\***Free games outside + free arts & crafts stall inside**

\***Bouncy castle**, Lez was going to order one (and Karen has let us know that Forster Tullet will pay for it) but in the meantime Lesley has been let down re the bouncy castle, she has made some enquiries to other companies.

\***Disco**, combined with bingo?

\***Cake stall**

\***Storm Troopers or other mascots?**

\***Drinks stall + kitchen open for food sales**. Maxine suggested chips with burgers or hot dogs. Becky suggested 'make your own pizza' station for the kids, she and her partner have pizza ovens. Although Richard, our School Business Manager has let us know in the meantime that the health and safety issues will be too great with the confirmation we currently have.

\*Bridget suggested a **cream tea** with strawberries.

\***Four tombola stalls**: chocolate, teddy, adult (bottle) tombola, toys, we'll need to check what items there are in storage which we can use.

\***Pamper corner** with a hair braiding stall and face paint

\***Jake to run a stall** where the children can for example sow their own sunflower seed and we can turn it into a sunflower competition?

\***Our school choir** to sing a few songs, maybe combined with our dance club.

\*Gillian mentioned a contact she has for a Ukulele band, she will try to find the contact details.

\***Action** – Jane will contact the parents of the children who are in the choir.

\***Action** – Amanda to contact Franco the **ice cream man**

\***Action** – Nicole to check with neighbour who donates items in the street to ask if she can donate certain food items or other.

## AOB

\*Feedback from the Parents Survey re our previous summer fair in school:

^Positive feedback: access to areas inside and outside school, being able to get outside in the garden, liked the familiar environment in school, fantastic range of free activities.

^Suggestions: weekend day would be better (3x suggested), to do it again at the Upton Pavilion, more food options, quieter disco, have a 'dump the teacher game', have some displays to share with the families of what they do in school, have a look around the class rooms.

\*Beach Ramble update: Bridget said we had 12 families so that was great! Only issue was that there was quite a lot of quicksand on that part of the beach and access to the beach was a bit tricky. But overall, it was very successful 😊.

Suggestions for next time: we could do a forest walk in the autumn, e.g. in the Countess of Chester Country Park, Delamare Forest or the Wirral Country Park.

Action – Sarah to ask Martin if he has some ideas / contacts re printing 'thank you' cards.

\*Amanda reminded us about the PTA's GDPR. Just to remind everyone that our PTA WhatsApp group is just for any PTA business.

\*Lesley received an email from Richard asking if we'd be happy to put a post on our Facebook page to ask for helmet donations for when the kids go on the trikes. He clarified later in a message that the purpose of the request is for spare parts, clips etc. The helmets can then be destroyed. Becky has put a post on our Facebook group asking for spare helmets.

\*Jayne mentioned a pop-up fashion show as a fundraises where models are showing the clothes and people can buy them for reduced prices. A percentage of the sales goes to school / PTA.

Action – Jayne will look into it a bit more.

### **Next PTA Meeting**

Our next meeting will be on Teams on Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> of June.

Nicole Luijnenburg

Attached: Treasurer Report