

## Hildenborough CEP School

### Parent Teacher Association AGM

13 October 2021, 7.30pm, Community Room

Present:

Ruth Ardrey (Head), Issy Sweeney (Co-Chair), Kelly Roberts (Co-Chair), Charlotte Dewsnap, Liz Lambert, Ioana Bonner, Hannah Denny, Jess Ryan, Kat Chewter (Treasurer), Angela Morran, Uma Kumarathas, Hannah Gooden (Secretary), Charlotte Saiset, Hannah Penlington, Philippa Liddle

Apologies:

Jo Wallace, Jemma Taylor, Sarah Lamey, Alex Ravenscroft, Lisa James, Pippa Wynn, Amy Togher, Rosie Nelson

1. The Co-Chairs welcomed everyone to the meeting and accepted the above apologies.
2. The report from the 2020 digital AGM was agreed by all present.
3. Chair's Annual Report – the Chair thanked everyone for their ongoing support, particularly through a difficult year. Despite the challenges of Covid and lockdown, £1,559 was raised by the PTA last year. This has helped to fund the virtual video tour (which was available in place of open evenings), a virtual panto and the Leavers Books. The Summer Fun Day in July 2021 was the main fundraising event of the year, in addition to Christmas wreath sales. Online shopping and stampastic, bottle buddies and caps and parental donations also all contributed to fund-raising.
4. Treasurer's Annual Report – the Treasurer ran through financial report. £1,559 was raised during the year, and after expenditure, there was £214 profit for the year. Overall, the PTA has approximately £22,500 in the bank, which is a healthy position.
5. Election of officers – all the incumbent officers were re-elected. Co-chairs (Kelly Roberts & Issy Sweeney), Treasurer (Kat Chewter) and Secretary (Hannah Gooden).
6. Matter Arising

Requested expenditure from school:

- The Head outlined that the school needs a facelift, mainly painting and proposed a community day e.g. fences need painting, plants in planters (low maintenance like rosemary/lavender), replacement lights. Date TBC for spring clean of the school. It was noted that many of the parents are in trade and may be able to assist. List of jobs to be produced. May be able to seek plant contributions from local businesses / links with Hildenborough gardener's society.

- New dining room furniture – which would benefit all the children. Approximately £8000. Delivery 6-8 weeks. Old tables would be kept for events etc.
- Computers – laptops in classrooms (ideally 2 laptops per class). Discussion whether PTA could potentially gift computers, but school can claim VAT back – investigation as to which is the most cost effective option. Potential to refurbish old laptops, but they would need to be networked to school etc. (so may need newer models).

#### Other Matters:

- Discussion regarding potentially charging for clubs e.g. £10 per term, to cover materials and help ensure attendance.
- Requests for board games for lunchtime clubs – e.g. connect 4, dobble, guess who, games with not too many pieces – request to be placed on the new PTA Facebook page.
- New PTA logo being developed.
- Payment for events – looking at options other than cash, including paying via Parentmail or similar platform (e.g. Eventbrite / Paypal).

#### Proposed Events:

- Cake sales (22 October and 17 December).
- Disco (12 November) .
- Fair donations and Christmas fair (27 November).
- Break the rules day (e.g. spikey hair/nail varnish/pink hairband etc). Suggestion that there should be less own clothes days, due to the disruption that this can cause to learning.
- Wreath making evening (3 December).
- Secret Santa gift room – anything that people want to donate (6 December).
- Raffle – put request out for potential prizes. Number of suggested companies to approach.
- Potential musical evening event at church hall – date TBC- November.

#### 7. AOB

- It was suggested that the second-hand uniform Facebook page include a banner proposing a voluntary donation to the PTA for sales (e.g. £1 per jumper / 50p other items).
- It was suggested that the PTA could purchase a popcorn machine for events and that Aldi currently has one for sale.

#### 8. The meeting closed at 9pm.