

PTA Meeting

Tuesday 4 May 2021, 7.30pm

PRESENT (49-50 Zoom attendees): Rachel Pillings (RP), Naomi Thrower (NT), Rosie Hyde (RH), Ronni Van Straaten (RVS), Alex Vanotti (AV), Anne-Marie Grant, James and Susi Bawn, Denise Hagley, Valeriya Cherkasovska/Anurov, Debbie Richford, Gemma Jennings, Catherine Occleshaw, Hayley Bostock, KT Wint, Angela Harris, Sophie Roberts, Gemma Hewes, Anna Comes-Knight, Stasia Dodds

WELCOME: from RP and thanks for support. Especially to AMG and her support.

APOLOGIES

Rachel Lee

APPROVAL AND SIGN OFF OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes approved by AV, seconded by RVS and NT

MATTERS ARISING

Nothing since last meeting

PREVIOUS & UPCOMING AND EVENTS

NT update on Race Across The World: a real success, as a community we raced over 12607 miles, Seymour raced 4657 miles. Raised £2893 for the Maasai Red Tribe which will be a huge support in offering the children meals at school. It's £4000 to feed them for the whole year so this is over half that, and it's about £600 towards St Michaels PTA.

We have prizes for best performers and prizes for the children which will be distributed over Sports Week.

RP on Summer Fete:

Booked to go ahead on Saturday 26 June. All indications are that we can continue planning for an unrestricted fete, fingers crossed. Planning is underway, we have been booking things like inflatables, first aid, junk removal, all booked or quoted for and awaiting final supplies. Turning to the internally controlled bits which is the stalls, volunteers/parents etc. We are meeting tomorrow night to finalise the stall list. Will be going to the school shortly so people can sign up. Video produced of the 2019 to give people a flavour of what is in store, and a reminder of something to look forward to.

Plant stall person and stage manager – positions yet to fill. Please let the PTA know of any volunteers.

We will be distributing a couple of reminders each week.

Handing over to Emilie McCarthy, our sponsorship coordinator. Big thank you to year 5 parent reps. Gather the list of sponsors we had in 2019 – that will be our priority. That will be covered by Emilie and year five parents. Suggestions of other sponsors to Emilie please. Email is ptasponsorship@stmichaels.wandsworth.sch.uk.

Sponsorship is moving ahead, D&G has agreed to print a brochure for us. Also doing the D&G signs again, basing the list off the Christmas list. An easy 2000 for the school and PTA, we thank D&G for their ongoing sponsorship and support.

Communications will be ramping up over the next couple of weeks, including stall information and how you can help.

AMG asks are we having a gunge. RP says yes, no response from Fleur Anderson. Police and fire brigade have agreed they will be in attendance. AMG has some victims!

Rosie will do a googledoc where people can sign up to stalls.

We won't do facepainting this year – one tiny step too far given restrictions.

If someone is really passionate about being on a particular stall then sign up. Other than that Rosie will ask class reps to encourage.

Cath Occleshaw; asking about restrictions, do cakes have to be individually wrap everything, etc. We are setting up the stalls differently and grouping things together. RP says hoping to sell things unwrapped – environmentally unfriendly.

For home produce stall we would hope for individually wrapped items.

Summer Camp out: unfortunately, the church has had to cancel this event this year – not sure why, probably to do with toolbox. We are penciling it in for next year but assuming it may not happen. AMG has asked about how we would use the school... perhaps for a sleepover? Maybe for the year sixes for the end of year. Rosie says she knows that Rachel is exploring with the church why it's been cancelled. Hopefully if this time next year toolbox is back in the building then maybe it can happen next year.

The PTA pay the full booking fee for the field for these events so its not a financial event.

Thank Anna Stacey and the SAS team who had kindly offered to run that this year.

Inflatables day. Mr Bawn has reserved inflatables and it's going to be awesome. We will open that to the school after school hours.

2021/22 dates

Wedding reserved for June 18 – so we have booked the fete in for Saturday 25 June and will keep it to that year.

Have also tentatively booked the field for the fireworks and the campout. In the school calendar and the church calendar.

Denise asked about the change of weekend for the fete - Rachel has emailed all local primaries and St Cecilia's – our plans don't affect them. Claire is the chair of St Cecilia's friends/PTA and its her final year – when they change over Rachel will email them in September so they have advance notice.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence outside of the events.

FINANCIAL

RVS shared financial slides. If anyone would like to see more detail please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Winter Disco – raised £206

Easyfundraising/Amazon Core - £66.15

Lent Appeal Race to Maasai - £605

So total for this term is £877.15

That combined with the first term adds up to £16,700. Last year was £15,127.

So compared to last financial year, we are ahead of last year. Have not compared line by line as events have been so different because of lockdown.

Despite the restrictions we are still well on track.

Wanted to say a massive thank you to the parents and teachers who supported the Race to Maasai - £3498 raised - £605 to the PTA and the rest to the Maasai Academy.

Second term expenditures:

St Michael's figt - £13,088.52 – based on the agreed budget between the school and the PTA

Non budgeted:

Mini trampolines £314.73 – had to replace as a result of the Christmas Fair – some very eager and overexcited bouncing!

Easter Eggs: £69.57

Total breakdown for second term: £13472

Cashflow position:

Current account balance £15931

Further committed funds to the school £7311.39

Leaves us with an available balance of £8620

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM PTA MEMBERS

First time where the funds have been split with a charity and the PTA – Rosie would like to hear wider feedback on this. Is this something we'd like to do more regularly.

NT says We will do something over sports week – Mr Walters would have a bit more time.

ALL OTHER BUSINESS

Hoping to restart coffee mornings in June – would like to do a fete board and set that up with the church. As soon as the café opens we'll be back there on a Friday morning and open for chats.

