

### **Minutes Friday 16th April and Wednesday 21st April**

Attendees Alex Ingham, Christina Smith, Zhanetta Veliaj, Katy Sugden, Emma Childs, Suzanne Hatherley, Gayle Corby, Carla Weatherall

Absences- Lucy Hennessey, Jen Rolls, Hannah Clifford, Rachel Cook, Tracy Simmonite, Louisa Carr, Kirsty Forrester

#### **Banking and Finance**

- Update on online banking & money raised at Easter (£62.14) and Ytd Finances (Current bank balance £1680) (CS) Bank account is now online. AI and CS can transfer payments and check bank statements online.

#### **Easter**

- Update on Decorate an Easter egg competition (AI) - The competition was very successful. PTA did the communication and the staff did the judging. Some excellent entries and very difficult to judge.

#### **Summer Term Activities**

##### **Rose Day Trail**

GC gave an update on the Rose Trail. To take place in 2 weeks half term, 22nd May to 6th June. 6 local businesses are involved plus private homes - approx 20 windows will be putting posters in their windows. GS has emailed B&Q and Homebase to ask if they can donate a Rose Bush. CW confirmed that Melia Powell Funeral Services will donate a rose bush.

Those wishing to join in with the trail will be asked to buy and pay for a trail map by 7th May. The cost will be £2.50 per entry. Entry can be per person, or can be per household. All entrants will receive a goodie bag. Rachel has designed a poster. Just the cost to be added.

The letters will form a phrase (to be decided) and winning entries to be placed into a prize draw. Winners to receive a Rose bush, amongst other things.

Katy will be sending invites to join the Rose Trail to all new Sept 2021 Reception parents asking if they'd like to join in.

##### **Family Fit**

How far can the Crossflatts school family walk round the globe or Europe? To encourage families to get active. Going to tie this in with the Children's Challenge.

A company who organises virtual physical challenges for primary schools and corporate events can help with this. Their last one in Spring half term had 88 schools involved. Walking, running, cycling for one week.

Families would pay an entrance fee and could look at sponsorship forms for families too. Families would input their stats to a website on a daily basis. Prizes to overall winners.

Can get school involved to help promote it and the benefit of using this company is the website is already created and less work for PTA and looks very professional. Verity designing a sponsorship form, whilst we wait for a date when the next event is taking place. When the company have confirmed the next date we'll pick this back up.

##### **Recipe Book**

All our favourite lockdown recipes. Louise designing a template to send out so families can type up their recipes. Recipes need to be unique as we don't want 25 sponge cake recipes. Sweet and savoury recipes. AI researching printing costs at the moment-approx £2.50 to print. Recipes submitted by Monday 10th May. Takes approx 2 weeks to print. £5 per book. To be sold after half term. Plan for 100 recipe books.

A letter will be going home in the next week to let parents know about this.

#### Smartie Tube

Date tbc after May half term. Gayle will send a letter to Nestle to see if they would send us any free or reduced price tubes of smarties?

#### Design a Tea Towel

We have all the info and this will be rolled out in Autumn term as a start a new year project. Liaise with Mrs Reynolds as Head of Art. PTA will need to cut the paper templates so the children can draw their own head and shoulders and PTA will then prepare the template. One per year group, plus teachers. Teachers will do this in school. A 2 minute video to be watched by the teachers on how to draw the templates. Take pre orders so PTA not out of pocket. Possibly £5 per tea towel. Great Christmas presents.

#### Virgin Money

Make £5 grow. Year 6 end of term project- Mrs Barker has explained that this is not appropriate for this year due to COVID. Year 6 can not sell across year bubbles as they have done in previous years. This is to be looked at again next year.

#### AOB

Parents concerned about children's sore hands from hand washing and sanitising. Katy confirmed that this does need to happen for safety, but they will look at this on an individual basis and parents should speak to school if they have concerns. Carla will comment on the Facebook post with an update approved by Katy and ask to let the teachers know on an individual basis if any parent has concerns.

Alex talked about things the PTA fundraising money is to be spent on. Katy to speak to Mrs Petrie who runs the Pupil Parliament, so they can have a discussion and come back to us. Alex could attend their next zoom meeting.

- A welcome to PTA letter and invite to WhatsApp group to go out to all new Reception parents. Katy to confirm when this letter is sent out and if they can be invited to the Crossflatts trail. Katy also to confirm cost of 62 book bags.
- Next Meeting date: Friday 7th May 930am and Wednesday 12th May 8pm