



PTA Meeting: 12/01/2026

Time: 20:00

Location: School

Attendees:

Sarah Higgins, Nancy Nowakowski, Shannan Murphy, Carla Cereda, Edward Byne, Lindsay Golden, Mr Lloyd

Apologies:

Steph Walsh, Susie Loughlin, Kate Wagstaff, Catherine Wright, Mira Pitkin, Maria Atton, Deborah Hearn

Calendar of events discussed at this meeting

First Friday of every month – Second-hand uniform sale

Feb 13 – Pink/Red Break the rules fundraiser

March 13 – Break the rules day for Easter hamper donations

March 21 – Family bingo + Easter hamper draw

May – Movie night for Yrs 3 and 4 and 5 and 6, split over two different nights

June 14 2-4pm – Summer Fair

July – Disco – again split Yr 3 and 4, and 5 and 6

Through June and July – Freezy Fridays selling freezie pops after school on Fridays

Feedback from Christmas Cheer

Sarah ran through the main feedback she'd received about the Christmas Cheer. Key points included:

- Less demand for adult gifts, more demand for kids
- Possibility to add a seating area at the top to give ppl a place to have drink/snack
- Stall selling kid gifts needs a lot of volunteers at the start. Also needed more change at start as this is where many kids broke any notes they had as spending money.
- Draw raffle earlier (~1615).

Sarah has a more a detailed list gathered from WhatsApp.

Mr Lloyd confirmed he had no additional feedback and supported doing raffle earlier.

2026 events

Mr Lloyd updated on vote in school – the movie night was the most popular (130 kids). 62 kids voted for bingo, more in years 4 and 5 than year 3 and 6.

Discussed and agreed to hold both these events along with others over next two terms.

Break the rules days

PTA lead: Steph

Agreed to hold two:

Friday 13th February - wear something pink or red £1 donation

Friday 13th March – wear what you like for Easter hamper donation. Will emphasise no nuts.

Bingo

PTA lead: Sarah and Steph

Discussed and agreed to do as a family event, rather than kids only.

Discussed evenings when school premise available; having reviewed options agreed to try a Saturday. Date agreed Saturday 21st March. School hall booked by PQA during day, available from 1730. Provisionally considering 6pm to 7.30pm.

Sell drinks and snacks. Discussed using that night to boost hamper raffle tickets and then have the draw at the end of the evening.

Prizes will be Easter related.

Discussion of asking Mrs McCarthy if she would be available to call the bingo.

Easter hamper raffle

PTA lead not yet confirmed

Discussed cost of selling tickets through Classlist (ie Classlist take of proceeds) but agreed to continue selling tickets both through Classlist and in-person on the day.

Movie Night

PTA lead: Sarah and Nancy

Agreed to split into two events (Yrs 3-4, and 5-6) given space and different interests.
Agreed to do it over 2 Fridays in May. Agreed tickets will include drink and popcorn
Dates and ticket price tbc. Discussed a vote for what movie the children would like to see.

2026 Challenge

PTA lead: Lindsay

Agreed funds raised would be for mini keyboards and to launch on 26 January.

Plan is to invite all children to raise £20.26 through any sponsored activity. Run over 8 weeks. Kids will receive a completion certificate.

Discussed and agreed putting up a visual tracker so kids can see how they are progressing towards aim of raising £2026. Do it in the design of a keyboard.

House with the most raised will win a break the rules day and then everyone that raises any money will go in a draw for an entertainer voucher.

To enable this, sponsorship form to include a space where students can write down what house they belong to.

Discussed what comms / products we will need: sponsorship form, flyer, some kind of FAQ, completion certificate. Sponsor sheets will be made by PTA and put into kids' bags by school. 2026 challenge will also be introduced in the weekly newsletter. The weekly newsletter could also track totals raised over the 8 week period.

Charley has said that funding raised can be brought in as cash or deposited into school bank account. FAQ should include instructions for what reference to use if depositing into school bank account. IE NAME + HOUSE + 2026.

Actions: Lindsay will speak to Charley further about this. Lindsay will also discuss products needed with Maria.

Disco

PTA lead: Sarah and Nancy

Disco to be held in the first 2 weeks of July and it would need to be a Thursday with the hall booked out for other clubs on the other evenings.

Year 3 and 4 3.15pm to 4.15pm; Year 5 and 6 4.30pm to 5.30pm

Date TBC

Freezy Fridays

PTA lead: aim to get year group parents' to take turns to run weekly sales, but will need volunteer to buy freezy pops

Freeze Fridays every Friday after May half term. 50p an ice pop and we said each year group will be allocated a Friday to set up and sell them. Start with year 6 parents.

2nd hand uniform sale

PTA lead: Carla and Nancy

Agreed to hold 1st Friday of each month.

Donations can be dropped to the office any time.

Second-hand uniforms will also continue to be put out at events like parent-teacher evenings.

Lindsay will check the QR codes.

Summer Fayre

Discussed having a World cup theme.

Sarah will speak to Susie about approaching businesses for donations for the Fayre. Carla has some more ideas on who could be approached. Also discussed using the class reps WhatsApp to encourage more ppl to be involved in outreach for prizes.

Brief discussion of inflatables; Mr Lloyd confirmed Mr Appleby had concerns about health and safety from large inflatables (Sumo suits etc OK).

Brief discussion Go Karts, decided wouldn't work without large paved area and Yr56 playground unavailable as where people enter Fayre from.

AOB

Mr Lloyd confirmed Mr Appleby had purchased new sound and light equipment using funds raised by Woodside Association.

Dates: *Next mtg Monday 2 February, 1930-2130, venue: school. Focus will be on clarifying plans for these events and who will be doing what to deliver them.