

PTA Meeting: 16/10/2025

Time: 20:00

Location: Boot & Slipper

Attendees:

Sarah Higgins, Steph Walsh, Maria Atton, Lindsay Golden, Nancy Nowakowski, Mira Pitkin, Kate Wagstaff, Julie Harrison, Shannan Murphy

Apologies:

Susie Loughlin, Fiona Knowles, Catherine Wright

Elections

- Nancy nominated as Vice-Chair by Sarah and Steph, accepted, elected.
- Susie elected as Co-Secretary and Mira as Treasurer, following their nominations at the previous meeting.

Communication with the school

- Email the school office; they will pass on to Mrs Harrison; can ask direct Qs to Julie via @ messages on WhatsApp

Vouchers, school lottery, Amazon Wishlist

- School lottery: discussion that Kate Dinwiddy (not present) happy to keep doing
- Vouchers: Kate Wagstaff confirmed happy to keep doing; discussion would be good
 if someone else started learning how to do this to take-over in due course.
- Amazon Wishlist: Sarah and Charley will sort out log-on and best way for school to add what they want; decided to put link in newsletter ~monthly to encourage.

Glow Up Disco Date 4 November 2025

- Discussion of what to provide, including what glow-up accessories. Decided will provide crisps, drinks, glow sticks. Nicky Lomax is sponsoring drinks.
- Discussion of other ways to raise money at the disco. Decided will run a tuck shop to sell other sweets, no chocolate, discussion of the best types.
- DJ Dan unavailable, discussed costs, decided use school PA session + school Spotify for music; games keepy uppy and limbo.
- Other logistical decisions included to increase number of volunteers for each session -need up to ten for each session; offer Y3-4 cheerleading club attendees can come to Y5-6 disco if they wish to.
- Discussion of practical information to provide to parents and via the poster, including when kids need to be booked into Hide Out for.

- Julie H confirmed teachers will be available to help with dismissal; she will cancel the staff mtg that week and ask them to help with disco instead.
- Discussion of who has first aid which prompted action for Julie below on checking about logging of incidents at PTA-organised events.

ACTIONS [note: some will have been completed by the time these minutes issued]

- Maria has list of things to add to school disco poster
- need to confirm who is running games at each disco
- JH to ask 1-2 teachers to help with dismissal at disco
- Carla to increase number of volunteer slots on classist; PTA members to sign up
- further comms on disco after Break the Rules over
- need to confirm time for volunteers to arrive for set up ahead of first disco
- JH follow up Mr Lloyd where cheerleading club will go on day of disco
- Sarah/Steph buying things from Tesco; Mira going to price check Costco
- Julie Harrison checking on need to log any first aid incidents at PTA events

Christmas choir concert

Date: Thursday 11th December 6-7pm

- Sarah will lead event and confirmed already has a number of volunteers. Decided will sell refreshments before start and at interval: drinks, mince pies, snack for kids.

Other fundraising ideas

- "2026 Challenge" kids choose what they want to do and get sponsored discussion of when to do; decided to run one Jan til end Feb half-term. Julie Harrison noted good to advertise in assembly to increase participation.
- Table-top sale discussion of Henry Allen experience mixed views, no decision.
- Colour Run Julie Harrison could be option to do it with the PTA this year.
- Coffeebar at Sports Day.
- Krispy Kreme School Challenge can sell boxes of 12 for £6.95 cost + PTA profit.
 Considering for eg last day of term.
- Freezy Friday: get year 6s involved in selling freezy pops on Fridays in summer term.
 Discussion of how busy summer term is; Q bets timing / whether to do weekly or on a cpl of times. No final decision taken.

Classlist

- Carla confirmed classes had been sorted, and more Yr 3 parents have joined.

Dates: *Next mtg Thursday 13 November 8pm at school* Summer fair 14 June, time now confirmed 2-4pm