

## St John's PTA

### MINUTES OF MEETING Monday 13 January 2014: 8.00pm Three Horseshoes Pub

**In Attendance:**

Chair: Jane Martin	Laura Oakes	Lynne Evans	Anne Esan
Marcie Gatsky	Abi Blank	Lisa Smith	Fiona Collins
Vanessa Salter	Maxine Yates	Becky Bird	Emma Kelly

**Apologies**

Sarah Wu	Krishna Rathod	Maria Papaphotis
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1	<p><b>MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES</b></p> <p>The previous minutes were approved. Carried over items were discussed as follows.</p> <p>Finance update. It was estimated that there was around £12,000 cash in hand (but latest statement had not been received or reconciled)</p> <p>Playground enhancement funds were discussed and it was agreed that £8,000 of PTA funds would be allocated to the project, plus £7,000 from the PE fund. It was further noted that the school could contribute additional funds if required.</p> <p>Awnings / outside classrooms were requested to go onto school pledge list.</p> <p>VS advised the Committee on the status of the thermometer and is asking a family member to make on our behalf, charging only for the materials.</p>	<p><b>VS</b></p>
2.	<p><b>CINEMA NIGHT - THURSDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2014</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maria Papaphotis has agreed to purchase the tuck shop sweetie bags, drinks and popcorn again this year. It was decided to use cups for serving popcorn as opposed to filling bags during the day this year.</li> <li>• 1 parent volunteer is required in 6 different classroom. Volunteers are: Abi Blank, Marcie Gatsky, Emma Kelly, Vanessa Salter, Lynne Evans. NB. Many of these volunteers will have younger siblings with them that so additional volunteers also required to help share the load</li> <li>• Teachers to prepare notices / ticket sales asap so that we can gauge how many to cater for.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Maria P</b></p> <p><b>Abi, Marcie, Emma, Ness, Lynne - OTHER VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT</b></p> <p><b>TEACHERS</b></p>

<p>3.</p>	<p><b>SPRING PARTY NIGHT - 28 MARCH 2014</b>          It was agreed to trial a "Spring Party Night" run solely by the PTA on Thursday 28 March. If successful, we will try to run one every term. Teachers will speak to children to put them on best behaviour!</p> <p><b>Timing:</b>          4:00-4:45 for the infants          5:00-5:45 for the juniors</p> <p><b>Price</b>          £1 entry via reply slip (no tickets)</p> <p><b>Activities</b>          Tuck shop selling sweets, crisps, drinks, glo-sticks stickers etc - all at 50p each</p> <p>Parents are welcome to stay and music will be played from an ipod Playlist in the School hall.</p> <p>A tuck shop will be available selling sweets, crisps, drinks and if possible, glo-sticks, stickers. <b>LE to ask MP if she would buy double when shopping for cinema night.</b></p> <p>Marcie / Bruce will compile a flyer with a reply slip with payment, to gain name on VIP Entry list (no production of tickets therefore required)</p> <p>Volunteers required: ipod Playlist - JM          Check name on VIP entry list (no tickets required) - x 2 People          Tuck Shop x 2 people          Teachers to supervise only - x 2 people          Ipod management - x 1 person          Door in case of escape artists x 1          Party music lead dancers (!! ) - x 2 (LE has already spoken to Sarah Woodward, who has agreed - need to speak to Linda Previdi....)</p>	<p>Teachers</p> <p>MP</p> <p>LE / MP</p> <p>MG / BA</p> <p>Jane Martin          2 x volunteers?          2 x volunteers          2 x volunteers          1 x volunteer          1 x volunteer          Sarah Woodward          / Linda Previdi</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p><b>SUMMER FETE - SATURDAY 28 JUNE 2014 - 11:00-15:00</b>          The time of the summer fete was changed for this year only due to the World Cup being on and matches starting at 5pm. It was felt that we needed to bring the time forward to ensure we had assistance for clearing up and still allowing time for people to return home</p> <p>MG is main coordinator and will issue project plans and schedules to all with responsibilities for jobs</p> <p>Discussion took place on whether to have a theme or whether we keep purely as a summer theme. The latter was decided.</p> <p><b>Attractions / Stalls were discussed as follows:</b></p>	<p>MG</p>

<p><i>Arena</i>          Deb Watson agreed to coordinate the Arena again this year.          Suggestions were made as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Steel pans. An ex parent was mentioned... can anyone recall further information on this?</li> <li>- Marco Ardani could do a rap in the Arena</li> <li>- Broadening Horizons groups could perform in Arena - there were bands, dance groups this year - plus probably many more...</li> <li>- Y5 - music festival piece</li> <li>- Al Pascal music school (if available and not rehearsing for East Barnet Festival)</li> <li>- any colourful dance troupes?</li> </ul> <p><i>Attractions were discussed as follows:</i>          Bubble of Fun (booked)          Bouncy castle etc          Climbing Wall          Bungee          See if we can hire slush puppy machines... - or check whether available in Ice cream van...</p> <p><i>Stalls were discussed as follows:</i>          Prize raffle          Money raffle (church):          Lucky Dip          Panning for gold          Pick a Lolly          Spin the wheel          Beat the Goalie          Bottle Tombola          Toy Tombola          Name the Cuddly          Sweets in a Jar          White Elephant          Tea Room          Plants?? It was noted that Bridget had moved away. Could anyone else at church run this?          Crafts          Face Painting          Biscuit decorating          Jam Jar Tombola          BBQ          Intl food stall          Bar          Beauty Room          The Hook a Duck was noted to be tired. Therefore it was suggested to put in builders tray instead of inflatable pool</p> <p><i>Other games suggested were:</i>          Pudding bowl full of flour, chocolate drops, bite the chocolate drop          Apple bobbin.          Doughnut on string</p>	<p><b>DW</b></p> <p><b>LE</b>  <b>LE</b>  <b>MG</b>  <b>MG</b>  <b>LE</b></p> <p><b>IH</b>  <b>BW</b></p> <p><b>Stalls to be allocated to set year groups and church parishioners to fulfil as per last year...</b></p> <p><b>Jale</b></p> <p><b>Laura Oakes</b></p>
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	<p>Stocks / sponge - soak the parent / teacher etc. Laura suggested another school had a prop, similar to Mousetrap game, which made the soaking more interesting. LO undertook to investigate availability of borrowing...</p> <p>Becky Bird agreed to do a first contact with previous advertisers and pass all contacts on to LE to follow up</p> <p>Vanessa Salter agreed to oversee brochure again</p> <p>LE to create Parent Skill Survey to see if we can generate community spirit and advertising for parents</p>	<p><b>BB / LE</b></p> <p><b>VS</b></p> <p><b>LE</b></p>
7.	<p><b>BOOK &amp; BUN SALE</b></p> <p>Maxine to prepare flyer and pop in bookbags requesting parents to bring in old books for sale on the same days as Cake Sales. Will help recycle books and more funds for classrooms.</p>	
8.	<p><b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b></p> <p>a. Learn a Skill night</p> <p>b. Suggestion to get on lists for concession / school tickets to promote to parents. Just to build on community, not for fundraising</p>	<p>LE to discuss with JM/FP to gain their input / advice</p>

**Next meetings**

Monday 10 February 2014  
Monday 17 March 2014  
Monday 28 April 2014  
Monday 19 May 2014  
Monday 23 June 2014  
Monday 14 July 2014

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