

HSA

# MINUTES 16/09/2021

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THURSDAY 16th September 2021 / 7.15PM / School

## Present:

Bryn Gibson (BG)

Laura Lewis

Jane Harper

Allie Buckley

Sarah Chapman

Clare Summerfield

Lindley Nevers

Sophie-Jayne Dalton Tebby

James Thorne

Sarah Mawle

Cat Paterson

## Apologies:

Jane Moreton (JM)

Vicky Lay

Jude Capper

Silvia Sottini

## Elections

### Offices for election: Chair, Treasurer and Secretary

CHAIR: Nominated, seconded and carried: Claire Summerfield

TREASURER: Sitting treasurer happy to continue in post. Nominated, seconded and carried: Lindley Nevers

SECRETARY: Nominated, seconded and carried: Laura Lewis

## Chairs Report (outgoing Chair)

Submitted by Siliva by email. Read by BG

During the year 2020/2021 we were not able to organize fundraising events like fairs because of the restrictions to public events caused by the covid pandemic.

Our efforts concentrated then in finding alternative ways to fundraising, since the fundraising activity of the previous year had also been disrupted by the pandemic .

The year started with a very well received sponsored spelling organised by the school.

Alternative activities were organized for Christmas, with a Christmas Trail Hide&Seek with Santa, a Christmas Disco and non uniform day, the Raffle and bumpers, and personalised items on sale that were all received very well.

We also received a donation from the sale of the Christmas cards of Lee Heyes and he agreed to do it with us again the following year.

In February we had a Family Fun Quiz night.

We then tried again with items on sale, the owls and the Harwell bears.

For Easter time we had the Peaks&Troughs that started very quietly but in the end did well.

The last events were the coin race and the sponsored walk, also organised by the school.

Overall, given the pandemic restrictions, it has been a successful year with some innovative fundraising.

In comparison with the previous year, we got more people involved in attending the HSA meetings and helping in the organisation of the events. Although we are going back to the precovid times, the HSA meetings on zoom (thanks to Lindley for lending his account to us) may have facilitated people's attendance.

We decided to introduce class representatives to help us connect to the parents and we have found at least one person for FC, Y1, Y3 and Y6.

Finally I would like to thank all the people that have contributed to the HSA activity of the past year in such a strange and difficult situation.

A really huge thank you to you all!

BG: Thanks to Silvia on behalf of the school and HSA

## FUNDS

The HSA commit each year to donate 3 amounts to the school:

£2100 for curriculum enrichment

£5 per pupil towards class trips

Year 6 leaving presents

BG: Request to Lindley to transfer funds from last year.

ACTION: Lindley to confirm funds were not transferred in July

## Upcoming events

### Sponsored event

- Alternative to sponsored spell discussed:
  - Read
  - Cycle (exercise bikes)
  - Skip
  - Dance-athon
  - Swim (logistics issue)
  - Zumba
- Usually spellings for years 1-6 and secret messages last year for FC
- Sponsor forms sent home before half term.
- JM will arrange all of this.

### Rags2riches4schools

- The collection of clothing, shoes etc is scheduled for Monday 22nd November.
- We will need volunteers to take bags of items into the swimming pool enclosure on Saturday 20th.
- JM will deal with the van collecting.
- Potential target to be raised = £200+
- Could this be open to the village community? Advertise via facebook page - Claire to follow up

### Class Representatives (welcome and any spaces to fill)

FC            Amy Walsh

Year 1       Amy Walsh

Year 2

Year 3       Judith Capper, Sophie-Jayne Dalton Tebby

Year 4

Year 5 Serina and Caroline (details???)

Year 6 Sarah Mawle

## Any Other Business

### Christmas Fair

- Alternative event - Christmas market run in a marquee outside in the playground
- Popular idea - considerations and developments
  - Scouts have 2 marquees we could use
  - Who has the big marquee - Claire to follow up
  - Santa in the lab?
  - Pippins Christmas tree festival in the sensory garden
  - Lighting - Brian Zimmerman - GSL 1st Harwell - floodlights used for fireworks
  - Selling: cone of sweets, mulled wine, hot chocolate, glowsticks
  - Space for usual Christmas stalls
  - Special requests: reindeer, brass band, tombola
- DATE: TBC - Friday or Saturday?

### Bring and Buy Books

- Claire Summerfield presented the event on behalf of Vicky Lay
- Each child brings 3 books to donate. And £3 to buy books
- Bryn is happy to run parallel with Roving books - as long as dates are not close together

### Other events welcome

- Suggestions of family events - bingo or Beetle drive
- Cake stalls on hold until COVID restrictions clear
- Friday morning coffee mornings:
  - Bacon buttys
  - Outside until restrictions clear
  - Limit to FC? KS1? KS2

### **OTHER ACTIONS REQUIRED**

- Bryn to add Claire to the HSA chair email
- Claire to share highlights of minutes to class reps for use on the website:
  - Could class reps mention rags2riches volunteering and collection of stuff
- Next meeting: **Thursday 21st October 7.30 pm**
  - Hybrid meetings needed?

### **SUGGESTED AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING:**

1. Treasurers annual report
2. Christmas market
3. HSA GPDR