Cleves School Parent Teacher Association - Registered Charity No. 1031777

PTA MEETING

Wednesday 15th November 2023

Sports Hall Classroom at 7pm

Agenda:

1. Attendees:

Charlotte Dury, Chris Hodges, Charlotte Healey, Jess Forster, Jo Williams, Ruth Paisley, Tom Wicka

2. Apologies:

Robyn McCallum, Hannah Murphy, Leah Williams

3. Accounts:

TW is up to date on invoices.

CD has set up a separate PTA Treasurer email account.

CD outlined that there was £101K approx in account; £45K of which was allocated last year, £11K to go out to pay fireworks invoices leaving approximately £40K.

4. School update

CH congratulated everyone on the PTA for the success of fireworks night, saying that there was a nice atmosphere and it was a great fundraiser.

CH requested funds to increase and improve provision for pupils with SEND and complex needs. He queried that this may seem too specialist to request from the PTA but explained that there are 280 pupils at Cleves with some level of recognised SEND. Elmbridge have already agreed to fund the building of one intervention/therapy room and CH requested £20-25K to provide resources to kit out this space. He explained that Cleves would ultimately like to build three different specialist rooms and hopes that Elmbridge will agree to fund the building of another one next year. Cleves have a partnership agreement with Oatlands and Manby and would look to share these therapy rooms ensuring that we do not replicate what Oatlands already have. Cleves are also looking to create a specialist OT room in LD7 so some of this requested funding could go towards that. In addition, these rooms could also be used by Surrey Arts for afterschool 1:1/small group music lessons.

TW requested to see other shopping list items and options for funding as well.

5. Fireworks debrief

CD stated that it was a successful event which £28K raised (inc Curchods sponsorship).

JW & CHe: request that putting out and taking in cones is specifically a 'strong person's' job, CH suggests paying the security to help at the end of night to cover cone collection.

CD questioned whether there is a preference to host the event on a Saturday or Sunday evening but it was decided that it doesn't make much difference.

TW requested that we push to take as many payments as possible via iZettle as it works really well.

6. Christmas fair

CD explained that there hasn't been much time to get things organised yet but it will all be pulled together over the next three weeks. The event layout will replicate last year's. There will be 6 external stalls, so far 8 children have volunteered to run stalls. JW to set up a JumbleBee raffle page.

7. Further events for 2023/24

- CHe and Cat are keen to organise a ball and are going to see a venue.
- Fete in the field in the summer term.
- Class fundraising to be scrapped due to lack of interest last year but there may be a whole school Readathon at some point.
- The usual discos will take place using the DJ from Y6 Leaver's Disco.
- o Break the rules mufti near Easter
- Potentially a quiz if we can find someone to write one and be compere.

8. Gift for Pete's 30th year at Cleves

All agreed with the previous meeting's discussion of a £300-£500 voucher towards a weekend away but someone will need to speak to Pete to see if there is a place/hotel chain he would like to visit.

9. AoB

TW suggested organising an event to commemorate CH leaving Cleves at the end of the academic year. CH seemed opposed to the idea.