

PTA MINUTES
6 December 2011
Chaired by Debbie Newman

Present: Debbie Newman, Karla Coward, Sophie Helean, Marianne Mahoney, Holly Ensor, Megan Lott, Dipika Ranchhod, Karyn O'Loughlin, Sara-Jane Morgan, Jenny Todd, Saleena Abdul-Aziz, Charlotte Stanton

Apologies: Dorothy Bodley, Lara Hasselbach, Tanya Roux, Vicki Hembrow, Tara Moran, Jo Clarke, Adrienne Butler, Debra Johns, Jodi Bacon, Kerri Riach, Christine Sweeney

General Business:

Chocolates: About 40 boxes still to be returned. Also another 11 boxes still unsold are in the PTA cupboard. We need to check the expiry date on this chocolate because it could all be used for the gala next November if still OK. Debbie will talk to Julie about getting phone numbers for the people who have left the school and if she runs out of time then she will allocate a few phone numbers to each of us to chase up.

Sausage sizzle: Didn't have the opportunity to try the new system but we will give that a go next time. Megan did report that even without the brown bags, the workload was much reduced.

Sunscreen for classes: Has been delivered. Teachers are rapt and thank the PTA for their support in this.

Seating: No update. We don't believe that Bernard has been back yet.

PTA room/uniform room: Now up and running. Eryl has all the sports uniforms sorted now. She is currently going through and working out what needs to be replaced and mended. Spending a considerable amount of money on updating/replacing/mending sports uniforms is something we need to consider for next year. It is important children look tidy when representing the school.

Gala: Sunday 4 November 2012. Debbie has created an excel spreadsheet with all our ideas from our subcommittee meeting. We will give it to the staff first to pick what they want to take on and then we will open it up for volunteers. The spread sheet will be given to staff before the end of this year so they can think about what they'd like to tackle over the holidays. We are hoping that parents will get together in groups and take on tasks together as a team. Class reps will be asked to coordinate their groups of parent volunteers next year and Debbie will come along to the training meeting of the class reps (within the first few weeks of term 1) to explain what is required of them.

Winter Jacket: Jenny passed on a proposal from Dorothy about supplying each staff member a warm winter jacket which cost \$90 each. Also another option of a light weight showerproof jacket and a sturdy umbrella. All would have the school logo on them. The school is a wind tunnel and staff who are on playground duty, on road patrol, at sports events, all need to be recognisable and kept as warm as possible. The suggestion was made that the PTA might like to contribute some funds to go towards supplying staff with a jacket each with the rest being funded by the board. PTA members thought it was a good idea so will await how much Dorothy/board would like us to contribute and this is something we can do in the New Year.

Massive thank you to the hardworking PTA team for another successful year. It's been a frustrating year with still no firm decision about what we should be focussing our fundraising efforts on but we remain committed to doing everything we can to support the staff and board in ensuring our kids have the best educational environment possible. Well done team, you should be proud of your efforts and all our kids are benefitting from the results. Merry Christmas and have a safe holiday!

Meeting Closed: 9.15pm