



HEADINGTON QUARRY PTA

AGM and Elections

Meeting Minutes – 9th October 2015

1. Present

Fleur (Chair), Kate (co-secretary), Marie (co-secretary), Debbie (treasurer), Linda, Kelly, Gail, Michaela, Bea, Sarah, Maaz, Aleks, Hayley, Nichole

2. Chair Report

Fleur gave a brief overview of the fantastic 2014/15 year. Briefly introducing all of our events; Christmas Fair, Curry & Quiz night, Bring & Share lunch, Cake Sales and Summer Party.

We also support other causes such as Children in Need and Oxfam for their Nepalese Earth Quake Fund.

A local parent has been campaigning for improved road safety around the Quarry school site. We have supported Gena by helping to pay for banners, which have been put up along the road, close to school, to warn motorists that there are children crossing nearby. If anyone would like further information about this campaign, please contact Gena at gena.leveson@gmail.com. Child size high visibility vests are available to buy from the school office and also St Andrews and Windmill Primary Schools.

3. Financial Update

Debbie updated the group on our financial health.

We currently have £1,900 in the bank, so we are starting the year in a really strong position.

We have regular commitments through the year to pay for the children's kit bags, chicken egg hatching, farm visit and each group gets a termly payment to pay for extras such as baking materials or additional art supplies to aid teaching.

Our biggest aim over the next two years will be to raise money for the much loved climbing frame. The school has been advised that the climbing frame probably has 2 years left before it needs replacing. It will cost thousands to

replace it, so we need to start raising money now! So far we have secured £50 from Asda and £440 from the Waitrose Community Matters Scheme. The PTA has also donated £500 from last year's funds, so we are off to a good start.

4. Elections

The current PTA gave brief introductions of our current roles. It was important to emphasise that at least 3 of us will probably leave the PTA next year and it would be great to begin passing on our knowledge.

Gail volunteered to be co-chair with Fleur.

Kate and Marie were re-elected as Co-Secretary.

We have decided to drop the communications post as Marie & Kate can incorporate this as part of the secretary's role now they both have children at the school again. Maaz has kindly offered to support this with poster designing.

Sarah volunteered to assist Debbie with the treasurer role.

The whole group was asked to consider opportunities for external fundraising to support the climbing frame fund. There are funds and grant applications available, we just need to find them. And now we have a specific thing to fundraise for, we hope this will help.

5. Upcoming Events

Children in Need Cake Sale – 13th November.

Volunteers to man cake sale stall:

Am drop-off: Michaela, Bea, Marie

Am pick-up: James & Hayley

Pm drop-off: Fleur & Aleks

Pm pick-up: Debbie, Maaz, Marie

We need to remember to bring in boxes suitable for carrying the cakes home in and also to remind other parents on the posters.

6. Christmas Fair

Date agreed – 12th December 2015

Fleur to send out a welcome note and in this mention the Christmas Fair and the things we need to start collecting. For example: wine bottles (for the wine to water stall) and jars for the tombola.

7. AOB

We have been asked by Lesley (the school Head) if we could make a small contribution each term to help fund fruit for the school. Recent funding changes means the school now needs to pay for the fruit the children are offered at the snack table, during the regular school day. We are all agreed that we help with this.

8. Next meeting

6th November – Christmas Fair planning.