



Minutes of St Thomas' PTA Meeting 17th June 2019

Attendees: Gemma Gordon (PTA Chair), Becky Judson (PTA Treasurer), Sarah Morley (PTA Secretary), Angie Pollard (PTA Secretary), Josie Bain, Bec Till, Lyndsey Pearce and Adele Burns

1. Minutes of the last meeting and Finance Overview

1.1 Minutes from the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were approved

Ongoing actions:

- Sarah Clayton to liaise with the contact at Beaver Road PTA and research IT used.
- Sarah Clayton to look into applying to be a local cause for the Co-Op.
- Sarah Clayton to research if any local agents are willing to be a sponsor.

1.2 Finance Overview

Circa £6k funds available, Fathers Day sales to be counted

£1000 for leavers' hoodies paid. These are a parting gift from the PTA as a thank you to all children and parents for their support during their time at St Thomas.

£170 summer fair bouncy castle paid

2. Quick Update

2.1 Lost Property Boxes

Positive feedback from school and parents on this initiative.

Can we all please try and keep this tidy and keep an eye on named items as there were over 40 items found in the boxes with name labels at the end of May.

2.2 New Parents Evening Refreshments

Action – Angie to organise refreshments/volunteers for Reception & Nursery new parents' evenings

2.3 Smartie Challenge

An amazing £2550 was raised through the Smartie Challenge.

225 Infant and 102 Junior tubes have been returned.

Class winners were Mrs Brierley for infants and Mrs Piggot for juniors, class prizes will be decided with each class children.

Well done to team Smartie and thank you to all our parents and children.

2.4 Father's Day

Huge success. Thank you to Becky Judson and all helpers for selling / wrapping.
Note for future re sellers, 2 min for infants and juniors

3. Sports Day

Action – Angie to organise refreshments/volunteers for both Infant & Junior Sports Days

4. Summer Fair

Planning is well underway and class groups are organising and running each stall.

Parents asked to bring donations of bottles to school on 21st June, Teddies/books 28th June and chocolate/cakes on 5th July. 5th July will also be non-uniform day.

Action: Gemma, Sarah, Becky & Angie to meet before the fair to run through final plans

Action: Lyndsey Pearce to organise bouncy castle volunteers/rota

5. Fashion Show

Thursday 18th July

Tickets are on sale at both school receptions and from Class Ambassadors

Tickets can be purchased from summer fair, Luxury Raffle stall. £6 a ticket.

Action: sign to be printed for summer fair

6. School Discos

Juniors 3rd July 4.30 – 6.00

Infants 11th July 4.30-5.30

Spikey Mike confirmed

Actions: Sweets, drinks to be purchased – Gemma

Action: Volunteer email to be sent – Gemma

7. PTA Committee/AGM

PTA core team to rotate the weekly comms as Alison is currently unavailable.

NB Easy fundraising reminder to be added on the bottom of all our comms

8. Forest School

Sarah Morley created PTA Forest School group, meeting Veronica on Friday 21st June to arrange how PTA can support forest school.

9. Terracycle/Clothing Collection

The PTA are keen to support the school's promise to protect planet so it is fantastic news that we will launch a TerraCycle initiative in our school. TerraCycle is a scheme that will pay us for our recyclable products such as empty crisp packets. Adele provided a fab insight into how other local schools are using this scheme.

Point of contact for infants Adele, Juniors Miss Grogan

Action: Bin to be decided – Adele

Action: Scales to be purchased – Adele

Action: comms to be launched – Adele

Action: ECO warrior idea to be carried over

10. **AOB**

Books

Aquila, The Week Junior and National Geographic Kids are recommended publications

Action – Update from school, school love the idea of the publications. Mrs Shaw coming back to PTA

To be carried forward:

- **Clothes Collection**
- **Co-op Local Causes**
- **Estate Agent Sponsorship**
- **Day Trips**
- **Singalong / Movie Night**

11. **Next Meeting Dates**

Monday 15th July ****PLEASE NOTE this has since changed to 7:30pm Tues 16th July in The Plough****

Tuesday 10th September