



OLOL PTA MEETING

17th October 2022

In Attendance:

- Annabel Blakesley, Amanda Campbell, Irene Feely, Simone Clarke, Vicky Taylor, Alex Athienitou, Kathy Kali, Aoibheann Foley, Claire Craven, Aislinn Dunne, Josephine Assani, Claire Cox, Bogusia Danielewicz, Patience Rusinga, Michelle Jeyes, Julia Gillert, Jessie, Sarah Bracken, Rachael Marciniak, Nisha Virdee, Grainne Curran, Kerry Jenkins, Jacqueline, Sedonia, Anne, Daniela, Penny Goodchild, Nicky Timmins, Sara Gull, David Spain, Louise Ellis, Anna Cooke, Elsie.
- Apologies: None given.

1. Chairs' Welcome

- Amanda Campbell welcomed all and introduced herself before passing over to other members of the PTA Committee to introduce themselves:

Amanda Campbell - Co-chair

Annabel Blakesley - Co-chair

Vicky Taylor - Secretary

Irene Feely - Co-treasurer

Simone Clarke - Co-treasurer

Michelle Jeyes - Shadow co-chair

Claire Cox - Shadow co-chair

Alex Athienitou - Shadow secretary

Nicky Barham - shadow treasurer

- No conflicts of interest were noted.

2. PTA Class Representatives 2022/23

Nursery - Debbie Warby

RL - Patience Rusinga, Kathy Kali

RP - Josephine Assani

1R - Bogusia Danielewicz, Rachael Marciniak

1A - Kerry Jenkins

2R - Anna Cooke, Penny Goodchild

2H - Sedonia Blake

3S - Sara Gull, Clara Turner

3D - Grainne Curran, Lama Tadros, Louise Ellis

4J - Katie Gutheim, Julia Gillert, Sarah Bracken

4M - Anne Kelly, Aoibheann Foley

5F - Maria Fawcett, Nisha Virdee

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6D - Sophie Gill

6J - Aislinn Dunne, Nicky Timmins

3. Christmas Fayre 2022: Stalls and Rides allocation

Nursery - Bouncy castle

Reception - Tea Cups ride (manned)

Year 1 - Toys

Year 2 - Go Karts

Year 3 - Cakes

Year 4 - Games and Sweet Tombola

Year 5 - Inflatable Activity Run

Year 6 - Bar

4. Christmas Fayre: Discussion

- GC suggested allocating a stall to each year group so there is no need to discuss which year group will do each stall or ride. This idea is welcomed. AC explained that implementing it might mean certain year groups get more turns on a certain stall and less on others and also that it is motivational to get reps to attend meetings.

Action: This will be discussed at a later meeting. VT to put on the agenda when appropriate.

- There was also some discussion about leftover toys and how we should plan for this. In previous years the PTA has sold them to Kids in Charge, donated to charity shops or toy banks or deposited in the toy recycling bins at the tip.

Action: Jessie will speak to Zeeba nursery to see about donating them.

- There was some discussion and explanation about how all the stalls and rides are run and best practice. Reps can use the WhatsApp group to discuss further and ask questions. There is also information and proforma on the school website in the PTA section.
- The idea of sponsorship was briefly discussed, with ideas shared on asking the usual estate agents, possibly the Ginger Pig, local supermarket community champions or equivalent and anyone we think may be worth asking.

Action: AF to send out a few emails to key possible donors.

5. Christmas Fayre: Other stalls

- Santa's Grotto - Aoibheann Foley
- Family Kitchen - Roz Kara (help offered from NV)
- Bottle Tombola - Vicky Taylor (help offered from JG, AA, AF and SB)
- BBQ and Veggie BBQ - TBC
- Face Painting - Louise Ellis and Grainne Curran

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- External stalls - VT and AC have organised 2 stall holders. GC will ask some contacts if they are interested.

6. Raffle

- The raffle will be online again using the website Raffal. We have used this for the past few years as it is much easier to coordinate, cost effective with no printing costs and an easy way to communicate to winners.

Action: All reps please ask your year groups for donations of prizes and if you are in a shop or other place and you think it would make a nice prize, please ask if they would be interested in donating. VT will visit a few key businesses to ask for donations and forward the donation letter to JA.

7. Summer Ball 2023

- The Summer Ball is always a great evening out and is one of the most lucrative for the PTA. The current ball team urgently needs shadow members for succession planning.

Action: Reps to ask if anyone would like to join the team to plan the ball in July 2023

8. Passive Income

- The PTA makes a fair amount of money from parents/carers signing up to certain schemes such as Stikins, MyNameTags, Amazon Smile and Redbridge Local Lottery. All you need to do when making a regular purchase is enter a code or select a charity and money is automatically paid on a regular basis to the PTA as a charitable donation. Information for this has recently been included in a newsletter.

Action: The PTA Committee will circulate the details again to all parents

9. Quiz

- The last time we did a quiz, it was a one-off event and was very popular. The PTA has been intending to run another, however Covid interrupted plans. The PTA hopes to be able to run a quiz in either January or February.

• Future Spend and Procedure

- RM sent in a proposal to brighten up and modernise the external displays and bin store walls. There was some discussion and it was generally thought that it was a lovely idea and worth looking into further.

Action: AC will speak to Mrs Boon to gauge interest. RM to send the presentation to school if applicable.

- Following on from the proposal AC explained the process of PTA donations to the school, as there were many new members in the meeting. The process is as such:

The PTA is a registered charity and has a constitution set up with ParentKind, a national charity that supports PTAs in the UK. The PTA therefore has to work within the framework set out in its constitution, as voted by members, and the parameters that regulate charities. All spend, i.e. donations to the school, must be agreed with the school. The PTA can make proposals or the school can make requests. This is then discussed at meetings and voted on by members of the PTA. Often the PTA has asked for more information before making a decision or has only agreed part-funding. This is because it is vital that the money spent will benefit ALL pupils at OLOL school. The PTA cannot fund basic everyday resources, such as staffing costs or exercise books, nor contribute towards the refurbishment or maintenance of the school buildings. Our donations must be in line with our objectives:

- ❖ To develop effective relationships between school and its families and local community
- ❖ To engage in fun, affordable activities for our children
- ❖ To support the school financially to provide facilities or equipment to benefit all children and advance their education and school experience

10. AOB

- Coffee morning Friday 4th November - the PTA will be serving refreshments. Please let the Committee know if you would like to come along and help.

11. Thank you and Close

• Next PTA Meeting

- Thursday 10th November 2022
8pm @ The Bull

• Items for next agenda

- Leftover toys
- First Alders
- Site Plan
- Wristbands, ticketing and pricing
- Flyer/poster
- Music
- TEN Licence