

MEETING	OUR LADY OF LOURDES PTA
DATE	24/02/21
LOCATION	Zoom
PRESENT	Amanda Campbell / Annabel Blakesley / Simone Clark / Monica Gilsenan / Aoibheen Foley / Ruth Boon / Victoria Lane / Mercedes Pardo / Alvina Agbenyo / Josephine Asani / Sara Gull
APOLOGIES	Rassi Pelpola / Vicky Taylor / Grainne Curran

1	WELCOME, MEMBERS PRESENT AND APOLOGIES	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AC welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. 	
2	MINUTES OF AGM	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The minutes of the last meeting were approved – no issues arising. 	
3	FINANCE	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simone informed the meeting that the PTA had made a profit of £6,100 since September towards the ICT suite & library. A great achievement in challenging circumstances! There is approximately £25,000 in the bank account Accounts for 19/20 are audited and ready to submit once signed by Annie Zanetti (previous co-chair) <p><u>FUTURE SPEND</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PTA have previously agreed to raise money towards the proposed ICT suite and library. Mrs Boon talked us through the proposals. It was recognised that the PTA cannot contribute towards the actual building costs (estimated at £50,000) but would like to contribute in other ways. Mrs Boon has put forward quotes for the fit-outs of £17,200 (ex VAT) to furnish the ICT suite and £13,300 (ex VAT) for the library. Some of the additional costs are to make the desks multi-use, so that the rooms can be used as additional classrooms / for interventions etc. Amanda proposed donating £20,000 of PTA funds at the moment with a view to raising an additional £5,000 before the end of the school year (obviously this will depend on what restrictions remain in place between now and July) The meeting voted unanimously in favour of this funding Mrs Boon confirmed that a Foyles grant had been applied for. Annabel asked if the PTA could help in any way towards other grant applications 	
3	PAST FUNDRAISING EVENTS	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Before Christmas the PTA ran a number of events, the most profitable of which were the raffle (raising £1,900) and Santa's grotto (raising (£1,600) . We also had a virtual Christmas party for KS1, a scavenger hunt and 2 non uniform days. In addition we had a number of donations from parents employers and local businesses. During February half term we ran a programme of on-line activities (football, dance sessions, online entertainer, and 4 quizzes for years 3,4,5 and 6). All of these raised £480 for families who have struggled during recent times. It was agreed that we could send out a WhatsApp message stating that if parents would like to donate to OLOL families in need that Mrs Boon would be willing to accept donations directly through the school In addition we have another scavenger hunt which is still ongoing, and needs to be promoted in the coming weeks 	MG PTA reps
4	FUTURE FUNDRAISING EVENTS	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amanda informed the meeting about future fundraising ideas that the committee have been discussing: More on-line quizzes for years 3-6, but also to be considered for year 2 possibly in Easter holidays (TBC) Parents 80s bingo to be organised by Amanda with help from a year 2 Dad (Dan) In light of the recent announcement about restrictions hopefully being lifted on 21 June, we plan to hold a number of live events: 	AC/AF/VT AC

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We are looking to hold the Summer ball at some point in July. Clare Walsh and Jude Kent are liaising with the Golf Club about possible dates ○ Mrs Boon said in principle she would be happy to have the summer fair in school assuming restrictions are lifted (or possibly in Autumn) ○ We are also looking at the possibility of a celebration at Eton Manor Rugby Club before the end of this school year ● Other ideas discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Push Amazon Smile more so that parents are more aware of it. Mrs Boon suggested the school could also sign up to this, and agreed we should put in the newsletter. ○ After School ice cream sales were suggested by Mrs Boon ○ A legacy “brick” was suggested for the new ICT suite whereby parents could pay to have their family name etched on a brick / plaque on the wall of the new ICT suite / library. ○ Easter egg hunt ○ Sara said she would investigate an online horse racing event ○ Easter bonnet competition. Mercedes said she would check with Fr Pat what he was planning as this is something usually done in church on Easter Sunday ○ “Create an Easter scene using boiled eggs” was suggested by Mrs Boon ○ A sponsored 5k event suggested by Josephine ● Amanda reminded everyone that parents are more than happy to run whatever events they wish and they can call on the PTA committee for help and support where necessary. 	<p>SG</p> <p>MP</p> <p>JA</p>
4	AOB	
	Next Meeting: Thursday 25 March 2021	