

Friends and Families of Foxfields

Minutes of PTA Meeting

10th November 2023

Present: Becky, Ashley, Toby, Fiona, Kat and Sue

Apologies: none

Minutes of previous meeting on 13th October were verified, agreed and signed off by Becky and Fiona as a true representation of the meeting.

Toby asked if dates of future meetings had been sent out, Fiona and Becky confirmed they had. Toby asked for them to be sent again. Ashley asked for next meeting to be put on the minutes.

Bank account – Ashley and Toby to do signatures. Ashley asked Becky to come in on Monday to make sure they do them.

Quick wins – Empties Please boxes for recycling printer cartridges due to arrive this week. Also, Becky has booked Bag2School to do a collection of used clothes, bedding, paired shoes and many other items, this will take place on Thursday 29th February 2024 from 9-1pm.

The majority of the meeting was dominated by the Christmas Raffle, the committee had already started to collect in prizes and more had been promised, see attached list. First, second and third prizes were agreed so that they could be listed on Raffle tickets. First 1 night B&B stay for 2 people in Stratford, second prize a 3 month Everyone Active Membership and third prize a Wine & Cheese Hamper. Many more hampers and vouchers have been promised and there are other prizes as well.

It was agreed to get tickets from Raffle Tickets 4U as members of Parentkind get a 20% discount. Becky showed various designs to the committee who agreed that we should go with the Snowman. It was agreed that we should get 1,000 tickets to start with.

Envelopes have been done for each class with child's initials on them, included will be a book of Raffle tickets, a letter and a return envelope. These will go out as soon as the tickets have arrived.

It was agreed that the Raffle should be drawn on the morning of Friday 15th December and it was agreed that we would all come in and help with this. There will be a coffee and mince pie afternoon on the same day where parents and family members can come and collect their prizes.

Discussion was had around if the parents should be invited to the assembly that morning, but it was decided that this should be an activity for next term.

Toby mentioned that there was a school Christmas Choir and that they could come and perform to the parents. The choir are hoping to go to local care homes in the area and sign for the residents. Becky mentioned that she might be able to get a third minibus for the day if they needed it, as there are 30 children in the choir.

Christmas panto is on Thursday 30th November an outside company is coming into the school, like last year.

Christmas trees will go up on the 1st December.

Communication to parents, it was suggested by Becky that the PTA should do a newsletter each term to say what has been achieved by the PTA.

Date of next meeting - 12th January 2024 at 13.15-14.30, Foxfields Academy.