

Blaby Stokes PTA Meeting Wednesday 22nd March 7pm at The Vicarage pub Whetstone

1 Thank you to those attending this evening's meeting

Attendees Becky Bunting, Charlotte Wileman, Emily O'Donoghue, Jen Taylor, Jess Hunt, Lian Smith, Sarah Ploughman Sharn Egginton.

A very big welcome to the meeting to our new member Emily!

2 Upcoming events

Bingo date agreed 21/04/2023 6-7.30

Discussed and agreed price £1 per ticket to be sold in advance. Becky will print tickets and hand to office for sale on Monday 27th – Limited tickets available circa 70. Sharn to ask school to add to Friday flyer and send a reminder email Monday re sale tickets due to Easter holidays half term being only a week away. Claire has confirmed she is able to do food which agreed will be cheesy chips as simple. PTA cupboard full of chocolate with best before dates end of April/May so agreed this could be used as prizes, possibly cakes to sell too and tuck shop style food crisps/cans etc Becky will do a fidget lucky dip, PTA members to donate any unwanted fidgets. Lian will check stock of bingo cards chip trays etc. Helpers Lian, Becky, Jess, Sarah & Jen Review of this is enough & check if anyone else able to help.

Disco date agreed 25/05/2023 5-6 6:15-7:15

Becky will order 100 reusable cups and agreed bag of haribos and no glow sticks for environmental reasons agreed set price of £1.50 as easier to manage stock. We will advertise that people can approach the office if they need to seek financial support for this. Jugs required for juice, we could use 4-pint milk bottles. Sharn to check with after school club again as they will need to vacate hall earlier.

Coronation picnic agreed 05/05/23 (Friday after school)

Ideas put forward – children to make crowns at home to wear possibly make this into a competition. Ask for cake sale donations to sell on the day, possibly ice-creams also (if we have enough helpers) Children could be asked by class to make coronation related bunting to string on the day, possible colouring competition/design a stamp. In the event it rains, hall is a backup plan, possibly most will be put off by bad weather. Event to be discussed with Mrs O'Hara at next meeting.

Colour run – date TBC – end of June 30/06 after school on Friday suggested.

Sharn to review how much colour cannons will cost we would need helpers to throw the powder which works better wet. Discussed approaching fire brigade and having sprinklers and water guns on standby. At the event agreed would expand and have a tombola/raffle/tuck shop/raffle. Year six could use this to do some sort of enterprise however year 6 parents would need to run this. Discussed this being a sponsored event of a minimum of £5, Jen has kindly offered to prepare a template for a sponsor form. Adults also £5 sponsorship if they wish to take part, entry will include a medal at the end. We could possibly include local nurseries with children coming to Stokes for a small entry fee (need to check with Mrs O'Hara at next meeting) and ask a local amateur photographer to catch photos of the event.

3. Financial

All remains the same. Blaby lottery advertised through social media however not much intake. Emily was not aware of this and asked of single tickets could be used. Becky confirmed they could but unsure on process.

4. Uniform secondhand sale

Date to be reset when weather turns better. All stock has been sorted by Lian and ready to be put out when dry.

5. Garden

School have prepared an email to send out for volunteers once the weather becomes better. There is a volunteer already to lay the path.

6. Current PTA advertising

Sharn is liaising with Georgie Wilcox who works for the Academy trust on ways to help advertise the PTA requiring more volunteers. Georgie has put a post out on social media and following discussions in the meeting, will request that a newsletter is prepared showing success stories, requesting sponsors, raffle prizes and volunteers.

7. AOB

Donations to be sourced for summer raffle.

8. Next meeting

26 April 2023 6pm at Stokes School.

Thank you all for attending the meeting and for your continued support in helping the PTA.