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## St Thomas More PA Minutes

May 10, 2016

#### In attendance

Beth Dempsey, Clare Atkins, Jane Perry, Kate Kenny, Beth Corcoran, Louise Bye, Liam Corcoran, Karly Williams, Victoria Marrinan.

## **Apologies**

L J Ross, Julie Cranston, Catherine Thorpe, Emilia Malone, Anna Mucha, Lisa Watts, Helen Bernabe, Phil Dempsey, Fiona Rosowsky.

### **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes were read from the March 8, 2016, meeting and approved.

Jane Perry asked whether anyone had come forward to take over the uniform sales – no-one had and Beth Corcoran said that she would take it on from September. Beth also talked about changing the rucksacks to the stronger book bags with an over the shoulder handle – she had seen some from another school. During the discussion Louise Bye and Beth Corcoran said that they would do a uniform sale at both of the new entrant's days for EY1 and 2.

#### **Treasurers Report**

Updated Treasurers report attached. In Emilia's absence Beth Dempsey read out the update.

We have raised £944.76 since last meeting in March (£773.05 from Quiz night).

Total funds raised this year are £2218.84

## **Fete**

The Fete committee would like to mention that lots of help is needed for the fete on 12<sup>th</sup> June. Can we ask parents from each year group to take on a stall to organize the rota for.

Kate Kenny and Beth Corcoran both asked for a stall to run, Louise Bye and Clare Atkins to ask EY1 parents to run the booze tombola.

Fiona Rosowsky had previously mentioned asking the children in years 5 and 6 to run stalls so Jane Perry said that she would talk to them.

Beth Dempsey confirmed there would be no home-made pizza this year after Louise Bye suggested the stall be moved nearer the BBQ.

#### Disco

Beth Dempsey confirmed that the disco has been cancelled as there were no volunteers to organize one, however it would be great to have another event if anyone was willing.

Beth Corcoran and Kate Kenny talked about having a bingo night.

#### **AOB**

The PA would like to thank everyone involved in organizing the quiz night! It was a great success and everyone enjoyed it.

Beth Dempsey advised that she would come and give a talk to new entrant's parents on the 14th June.

Jane Perry mentioned that the funds that the school have been given towards developing a garden area have to be spent by a specific date and that it would be good to incorporate this with the equipment the PA would like to buy for the school. Beth Dempsey said she would talk to Lisa Watts about her idea for a new structure.

The kitchen fitter is starting on the new kitchen in the dining room on our inset day and will hopefully be finished after half term!

BBQ's. They are £99 at John Lewis with a 5 year guarantee. It was mentioned that they should be brought through easy fundraising and that if anyone worked at JL we could ask them to order them so we would get a discount.

Beth Dempsey asked Jane Perry if the fete committee provided tiles could the children paint them to use as coasters (the theme would be STM @ 50) to sell at the fete. Jane thought this was a good idea.

Clare Atkins said that she had been asked by the school to provide a box to have in the lobby area for donations left by parents for the fete. Beth said she would provide one.

Jane Perry also talked about the early years play area that is looking a bit tired, if anyone hears about any funding streams that are being run (ie Tesco's) could they let her know, to help with replacing it, hopefully next year or the year after.

Clare Atkins asked if the Sainsbury's vouchers could be used, but these are towards specific items. The school have a catalogue that they select from.

Jane talked about the new MarvellousMe app, information has been sent out in book bags, she would welcome any feedback about it.

# **Next Meeting**

7th June 2016.