Minutes of the PTA Meeting Wednesday 27th January 2016

Apologies: Jacqueline Shakespeare, Sunita Patel, Milena Bazelkova, Kate Grenfell.

Welcome:

- The Chairs, Candace Brooks and Lorraine Phillips welcomed all parents and carers.
- Tobias Morris, the current co-Treasurer, described what are the key objectives of being the Treasurer for the PTA.
- The PTA then thanked Tobias for all his work and contribution over the last 3 years. Milena Bazelkova will be remaining as the co-Treasurer. There were 2 people in the room who showed an interest in the position.
- The Chairs asked for people who are interested in the position to apply direct to them.
- Tobias then went through the funds raised during last term's events, which were as follows:
 - The International Food Fair made £2,030.
 - The Non uniform day made £605.
 - The uniform sale made £180.
 - The Disco made just over £3,754.
 - The Christmas Cards £1,267.

The 2016 Calendar's official figures have not yet been published but Delia Alfonso, who manages the Calendar, informed the PTA that sponsorship equated to approximately £1,400.

Meeting:

Event Update

- The International Food Fair did extremely well and the feedback was very positive.
- There will be a Non-Uniform day on Friday 12th February.
- The School Quiz will be held on Friday 4th March.
- Mark Phillips talked about the quiz and encouraged parents to attend the event.
- The food will be cooked onsight by Kerbisher & Malt.
- It is a fun social event for parents and carers. For further information and how you can buy your tickets, Mark suggested visiting the <u>website</u>.
- The Easter Cake Sale is set for Thursday 24th March.
- The Summer Fete will be held on Saturday 16th July. The fete will be the main priority of the summer PTA meeting, which will be held on Wednesday 27th April 2016 (date to be confirmed).

Head Teacher's Report

- Mr. Rai thanked the parents and carers for being so supportive and understanding during the incident in the school kitchen.
- Mr. Rai brought up the issue with the School Trip payments.

Only 62% of the cost of the curriculum trips is currently being met. The school will be sending letters to parents who do not pay and they will also be sending information on which years have failed to pay. The school will look into using a new payment system through School Gateway.

It was suggested that perhaps a survey goes out to see why parents do not pay. It was brought up that some parents are confused that because their children are on free school meals, as they in year 2 and below, that they think that they do not have to pay for school trips.

• Nursery playground improvements were halted as the fencing had to come down and be treated.

Future Funding Request:

- The school needs to upgrade the audio presentation resource.
- Safeguarding.

Road Safety: The school is required to review their safeguarding procedure. The school will put up posters about road safety. The school also has the highest number of parking penalty charge notices in Ealing.

Online Safety: The school provided leaflets for the Year 6 parents on social media apps. The feedback was positive. The school will use a "prevent strategy" from now on to tackle various topics including online safety.

Photos: The school has suggested that they hold a photo of each parent in order to help staff identify student's parents.

Parent Surveys: Parent surveys will be sent out over the next few weeks. They are for statistical purposes and Mr. Rai urged parents and carers to fill them out.

The schools sex education policy will be reviewed in alignment with other schools in Ealing, including North Ealing Primary school.

Oral hygiene: The NHS Dental Agencies have informed the school that their students have the worst record of dental hygiene in the borough.

Some of the above-mentioned topics will need financial support that may need to be funded by the PTA.

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• Mark Phillips, the creator and administrator of the <u>www.imontpelier.com</u> website asked the parents and carers attending the meeting what they thought of the website, to which the feedback was very positive.