

PIPS Meetings - Agenda and Minutes



Meeting Date: 22nd Jan 2024
 Time & Location: 8.00pm, Zoom.
 Topic: Easter Fair & Summer Fair

Attendees: Jade White (JW) Chair, Lucy Bentley (LB) Secretary, Michelle Carter, Katherine Salmon, Caroline Everett, Rachel Phillips, Lyndsey Hayes, Jenny Ebbrell, Pippa Wilcox, Isobel Wenn, Tanya Leary, Visctoria Inman, Louise Copland, Bryan Maxwell, Richard Dixon (Headteacher)

Apologies: Ben Thexton (treasurer), Lizzie B, Katy Armstrong, Ashleen Fisher,

ACTION NO.	DESCRIPTION
	Easter Disco (Tues 26th March?)
	<p>Volunteers JE and KS are organising – volunteers TBC at a later date.</p>
	<p>Music Dates are difficult for Phil for the disco. RD says we can switch to a Wednesday if easier – 27th pencilled in.</p>
	Summer Fair (Friday 14th June?)
	<p>Proposed Date, Friday PM, has been raised with school due to potential lack of volunteers for setting up. RD: Idea was raised last year to try and make it less work & time on a Saturday. Staff and older pupils may be able to help with set up, so not too many volunteers would be needed. Has been successful for other schools as children & staff are on site, and many parents are there to collect.</p> <p>Children of volunteers could be brought out to the fair after school. Previous years have been difficult with lack of volunteers, however ~80% are parents rather than staff.</p> <p>28th June possible. Brownies trip on 14th, and Irby cricket club would also lower attendance as it runs on a Friday.</p> <p>Lyndsey looking at external stall holders who may have weekday jobs. So far 5 regulars can't come on a weekday. Y3 and Y6 families – general opinion is that Saturday would be easier. 2 said Friday was ok, ~30 said Saturdays are preferable. Quite a few Y1 parents are volunteering for events this year – most Y1 parents are not available on a Friday.</p> <p>Inflatable assault course not available as they work in schools during the week.</p> <p>Summer fair is potentially a good fundraiser. Concern raised that with a smaller fair we may make less money.</p>

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	<p>Need 24 ppl per hour in total on stalls. (48 for the fair, plus set-up and clean-up)</p> <p>Alternative suggestion – BBQ / picnic / cakes / drinks – less volunteers (similar to jubilee) but kids would be disappointed and we'd lose a lot of funds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Up to school ultimately. If school is closed on Saturday, Friday may be the only option. <p>Jade will look at a poll of helpers.</p> <p>RD: If Friday is unpopular we won't necessarily be able to manage a Saturday. The event needs to be manageable and future proof. There is also a concern that school risks overloading parents who are already under strain with the current economic climate.</p> <p>Need a balance between a community event and a fundraiser, the compromise may be a smaller event – Numbers of volunteers would be very useful to know.</p> <p>Suggestion – can we join forces with another primary school to share resources? – This may not help and people may not move between schools.</p>
	<p>Music</p> <p>Phil Everett is working 14th, Phil Salmon helped last year and might be available.</p>
	<p>(TBC - Alcohol – will we sell again? need a license application once date is confirmed)</p>

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