



Beckers Bees Fundraising Meeting **Tuesday 16th January 2024 at 3.15pm**



Present: Rachel Foster (RF) (Chair) Clare Snelson (CJS) (Secretary)
Serena Chapman (SC) Sam Holden (SH)
Claire Steele (CS) Sam Jarvis (SJ)
Clare Hanlon (CH) Sam Pingram (SP)
Laura Verdejo-Roberts (LVR)

Apologies: None

Welcome

Rachel welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the PTA meeting.

Finances

Rachel provided an overview on how the PTA funds were spent during the 2023/2024 school year.

- Author visit £180
- Books £900 (£518 paid for by company donations)
- Portals of the Past £30
- Play leader equipment £240
- Maths and DT equipment £250
- Replacement trolley for the stage £264
- Trolley for the food bank storage £130
- School hoodies for external school events £732 (Paid for by company donations)

Rachel provided an overview of the fundraising amounts generated from various events.

- Christmas raffle £900
- Easy fundraising £40
- Refreshments £100
- New-2-U £12
- School disco £300
- Stocking fillers £100
- Book Fair Scholastic Book Rewards £152

Rachel provided an overview of donations very kindly received from individuals or businesses.

- Trips £154.00
- Books: £518.00 - From LSA Projects
- 45 school branded hoodies for events: £482.00 From LSA Projects (£250.00 donated last financial year from Triconnext LTD)

Social media/boosting engagement/communication

We now have an Instagram page (Beckers Green PTA) as well as our existing Facebook page (Beckers Green Primary School PTA). We'd love your support on social media! Please give our posts a like and share to help us connect with more parents and carers from Beckers Green School. Every like and share make a difference!

Discussion on how we boost engagement and keep parents and carers in the loop about all the fantastic things our PTA is up to! We will be implementing/investigating the following ideas.

- PTA Newsletter shared via ping.
- Meeting Minutes shared on ping and the dedicated PTA section on the school website.
- Adding more PTA highlights to the weekly school newsletter (RF to check with school).
- Relocating the PTA notice board to outside the school hall where more people will see it. (RF to investigate this with school).

Upcoming Events

- Quiz Night (adults only) - 9th February 7pm. £5 pp - book via ParentPay
- Easter Prep Session – Monday 18th March 9am until 11am - helpers needed
- Easter Eggstravaganza - 22nd March 3.15pm until 5pm - helpers needed from 2pm
- Summer Prep Session - Monday 1st July 9am until 11am – helpers needed
- Summer Fete - 5th July 3.30pm until 5.30pm - helpers needed from 2pm

Other Fundraising events/ideas

- Sweet Treats/Frozen Fridays

After some discussion, it was agreed that Fridays are still the perfect day for these events. The popular vote goes to Frozen Fridays with ice lollies, aligning with our school's commitment to healthy eating. The consensus, once these events start, leaned towards having them on a weekly basis. To make this a reality, we'll need more volunteers to help organise and run these events.

- New-2-U

We've found that New-2-U events work best on their own, not paired with Sweet Treats/Frozen Fridays. We're planning to hold a New-2-U event at the end of each term, provided we have enough volunteers to make it happen.

- Quiz night

It was decided that the Quiz on 9th February would be an adult's event only. A family quiz to be arranged later.

- Parents Day

We explored various ideas for Parents Day events, particularly focusing on options for Mothering Sunday. Further investigation into these options is planned before any decisions are finalised.

Future PTA Meetings

We will increase the frequency of PTA meetings throughout the year in the hopes of allowing more people to contribute to them and help with ideas and planning. Stay tuned as we finalise the dates for the rest of the school year; we want to make sure everyone has plenty of advance notice. Mark your calendars for our next meeting on Tuesday, 13th February at 3:15 pm – we look forward to seeing you there.