



Belswains PTA Annual General Meeting  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022 @ The Snow Centre

Attendees

Jenny Batchelor, Imelda Aspinall, Chris Turrell, Rachel Williams, Neysa Claridge, Khilan Haria, Victoria O'Sullivan, Diana Yordanova, Alex De Tisi.

Apologies:

Caroline Trimby, Ana Maria Florea, Cassandra O'Neill, Charlotte Hosier, Emma Lethbridge, Sara Miles, Carrie Foster, Jo Rosser, Lisa Clare, Jodie Flint, Tasha Greenaway, Sara Rose Freedman

Meeting Started 1945

1. Chairpersons Report

Jenny welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming. As this was her first AGM, she wanted to pay tribute to her predecessors Tracey Dean and Hannah Perry – she feels she is filling big shoes! Jenny and Imelda's view is for the PTA to put the children's welfare at the heart of everything they do – it's not just about raising money! Jenny also is aware of the financial strain and economic situation that will be affecting parents so want to create events that do not isolate anyone.

i. Report on last curriculum year

- School equipment refresh including Connect 4 - £73.12
- Online Panto - £647.00
- End of Year Treats - £898.50
- Donation towards Chrome Books for SEND children - £2,106.00
- Donation to Year 6 - £349.94
- Donation to KS2 - £340.90
- Donation to KS1 - £475.71
- Donation To Early Years Hatching Project - £91.66
- Jubilee Pins and Medals for every child - £548.38



ii. Fundraising and other Events Completed

• Halloween Disco -	£566.24
• Christmas Market -	£1577.28
• Xmas cards fundraising -	£311.82
• Easter Egg Hunt -	£17.62
• Father's Day Stall -	£104.19
• Mother's Day Stall -	(£131.44)
• Jubilee Picnic -	£259.44
• Break the Rules Day -	£220.38
• Small Coin Challenge -	£397.71
• Coffee Morning –	n/a
• New term coffee morning for new parents –	n/a

iii. Fundraising ideas and events for 2022/2023

- Halloween Spooky & Sparkle Disco – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October  
Nursery/Reception & KS1 – 5pm – 6pm  
KS2 – 6.15pm – 7.45pm  
DJ, Games, Snacks and Sweets, Glitter Tattoo Station & Glow Stick Station  
Cake Sale?
- Halloween Carving Competition - During October Half Term – Photo entries to be emailed in by Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October to [bsa@belswains.herts.sch.uk](mailto:bsa@belswains.herts.sch.uk)
- Non-Uniform Day in November 2022 – Date TBC – in return for Donations for the Christmas Colour Hampers to be won at the Christmas Market.  
Each class to be given a colour and each child asked to donate something for the raffle hampers in that colour for example - Alcohol/Chocolate/Sweets/Pamper items for all the family/Kids crafting etc
- Christmas Market - Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2.30pm – 5.30pm  
Outside companies stalls outside in the car park/PTA stalls, raffle and tombola inside
- Christmas Panto 2022 – Live not Virtual! - Date TBC
- Christmas Card Designs 2022 – Artwork Sheets already given out
- Silly Spoons Christmas Crafting Competition - Christmas Holidays
- Cinema Nights Jan/Feb 2023 – Dates TBC
- Colour Run – Spring 2023 Date TBC
- Mother's Day Tables – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023



- Easter Egg Hunt – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March?
  - Father’s Day Tables - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June
  - Coronation Memorabilia
  - Break the Rules Day July 2023 – Date TBC
  - Ice Cream Van – Last Week of Term
  - End of Year Class Tea Towels?
- iv. Pre – Loved Uniform
- New “Pre-Loved Uniform Co-ordinator” – Emma Lethbridge – thank you!
  - New wheelie bin on its way donated from Dacorum Borough Council, to collect 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform in.
  - Pre-Loved uniform to be sold online on our PTA Events website - coming soon!
  - Pre-Loved uniform shop in the school - also coming soon!
- v. New Fundraising Initiatives
- My Name Tags – 24% of every order donated to our PTA!
  - Amazon Smile - Our Belswains Charity is now set up to amazon for a percentage of every order to go to our PTA!
  - Corporate Sponsorship
  - Corporate Matched Giving
  - Payroll Giving
- vi. Expenditure that the PTA could support:
- 2 x Chip & Pin Machines in time for the Christmas Market



- A new staging and set up for the hall for school productions i.e., Nativity, Class Assemblies, Yr6 Leavers Assembly.
  - Year 6 leavers hoodies
  - Year 6 Pizza during the last week of the summer term
  - Climbing Frame
2. Treasurers Annual Report
- i. Opening Balance at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021
    - £6390.51 cr
  - ii. Closing Balance at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022
    - £3721.03 cr
  - iii. Statement of accounts available on request to [bsa@belswains.herts.sch.uk](mailto:bsa@belswains.herts.sch.uk)
3. Voting for Committee - all committee members voted in unanimously.
- i. Chair – Jenny Batchelor
  - ii. Deputy Chair – Imelda Aspinall
  - iii. Secretary – Chris Turrell
  - iv. Treasurer – Khilan Haria (New Nomination)
  - v. Newsletter & Publisher – Caroline Trimby
  - vi. Social Media Co-Ordinator – Rachel Williams
  - vii. Pre-Loved Uniform Co-ordinator – Emma Lethbridge (New Nomination)

Special mention to Carrie Foster who has been our Treasurer for the last year and is now retiring.



#### 4. Appointment of Class Representatives:

- Nursery Wrens: Toyin Elias (New Nomination)
- Reception Robins: Diana Yordanova (New Nomination)
- Reception Sparrows: Ana Maria Florea (New Nomination)
- Year 1 Fircrest's: Sara Rose Freedman
- Year 1 Goldcrests: Victoria O'Sullivan (New Nomination)
- Year 2 Swifts: Jo Rosser
- Year 2 Starlings: Sara Miles
- Year 3 Jays: Rachel Williams
- Year 3 Redwings: Amy Willcox
- Year 4 Nightingales: Lisa Clare
- Year 5 Eagles: Emma Lethbridge
- Year 6 Red Kites: Jodie Flint
- Year 6 Falcons: Cassandra O'Neill / Tasha Greenaway

Thanks to Alex De Tisi who is retiring as class rep

#### 5. Any Other Business

- i. Mrs Claridge mentioned school costs have increased due to teacher salary increases and therefore some of the planned improvements have been put on hold
- ii. Mrs Claridge mentioned the financial difficulties being experienced by parents due to the current economic climate sometimes requires the school to subsidise events which impact school funds
- iii. Mrs Claridge confirmed she has reserved budget to replace broken PTA gazebos borrowed from the PTA
- iv. Chris Turrell has met with the new Business Manager Becky Maher and Chris Payne to investigate if there are opportunities to develop synergies in fundraising and initiatives through our wider network of Parents, Local Businesses and Community.

Meeting ended 2045