



Belswains School Association / PTA
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday 1st March 2021

Attendees

Hannah Perry – Chair
Lucy Raphael – Deputy Chair
Chris Turrell - Secretary
Natalie Turculet – Treasurer
Rachel Williams – Social Media Co-ordinator
Cassandra O’Neill
Charlotte Hosier
Jenny Batchelor
Sarah Miles
Tracey Dean

Apologies

Caroline Trimby – Newsletter & Publisher
Amy Gostling

Welcome

Hannah opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and thanking them for attending.

Hannah started by recognising the difficult time we have all faced as parents, teachers and students over the last 12 months and how this has made fund raising more challenging. That said, we raised a huge amount of money from the Sponsored Run due to the generosity from parents and extended families. We have also been fortunate to have had some incredible donations including a defibrillator!

We recognised multiple lockdowns will have affected a lot of families financially, so at Christmas we decided to take this opportunity to give something back rather than the normal fundraising that occurs during the festive period. We ran a free Christmas raffle with prize hampers, gave every child a book and chocolates and also provided an online Christmas panto for every class. We also sourced a Christmas tree and decorated the school grounds to brighten the mood of children and parents.

We have also purchased two new football goals, a giant Connect 4 and a Buddy Bench for the children, and we also have the purchase of two outdoor reading sheds in plan for 2021.

Adapting to the ‘new normal’ in terms of fundraising and events, whilst being sensitive to the financial challenges some parents will be facing is our challenge. I would remind parents that we are a charity and all monies raised go towards improving facilities for their children, so all ideas are welcome!



Treasurers Report

Hannah presented some headline items from the Autumn and Winter terms (these are not exhaustive).

Net Profit/Income Total: £5071.58

- Sponsored run £4452.23
- Halloween Sales £113.14
- Christmas Card Sales £506.21

Bank Balance as
at 08/03/2021

£8177.75

Donations

- Defibrillator
- Christmas Tree
- Tring Brewery Voucher
- Snow Centre Voucher

Outgoings/Funded Total: £1628.00

- Christmas books and chocolates £517.37
- Christmas Hampers £83.28
- Christmas Decorations £53.85
- 2 Football Goals and Nets £104.83
- Giant Connect 4 £151.00
- Jack and the Beanstalk Online Panto £150.00

FULL ACCOUNTS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR (AUGUST 2021)



Events

Any events we now consider need to be Covid compliant which we all know can be quite challenging when kids just want to be kids! Therefore, we work closely with the school to ensure every effort is made to keep everyone safe.

The following ideas are currently in plan or being investigated:

- Mother's Day Pop Up stall
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Cinema nights
- Disco
- Non uniform days
- Coin Challenge

If any parents have any fund raising / event ideas to please put them forward to a member of the PTA. All ideas and / or help is welcome! Please email bsa@belswains.herts.sch.uk.

Proposed donations to school facilities / children initiatives

- Outdoor reading sheds for KS1 & KS2
- Play time toys / activities (replace / refresh)

If any parents have any ideas towards improvements to school facilities or children initiatives, please let a member of the PTA know or email the PTA: bsa@belswains.herts.sch.uk.

AOB

No other business



What we have achieved so far..

FUNDRAISING

CHRISTMAS CARDS SALES
RAISED
£506.21

SPONSORED FUN RUN
WE RAISED
A UNBELIEVEABLE
AMOUNT
£4452.23

HALLOWEEN SALES
ON LINE SALES RAISED
£113.14.

POP UP MOTHERS DAY SALE

DONATIONS

I AM PERSONALLY BLOWN AWAY WITH
WHAT KIND DONATIONS WE HAVE
RECIEVED

- *A DEFIBRILATOR AND WALL CASE
- * A CHRISTMAS TREE
- *TRING BREWERY VOUCHER
- *SKI CENTRE VOUCHER

WHAT WE HAVE ACHIEVED SO FAR

WE HAVE BROUGHT FOR
THE PLAYGROUND
* 2X FOOTBALL GOALS
* A GIANT CONNECT 4
* NEW BUDDY BENCH

EVERY PUPIL AT BELSWAINS
SCHOOL RECIEVED A
BOOK & CHOCOLATES FROM
SANTA

FREE CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
2X CHILDREN GIFT HAMPERS
2X VOUCHER HAMPERS
1 LUXURY FAMILY HAMPER

EVERY CHILD AT BELSWAINS GOT
TO SEE JACK AND THE BEAN
STALK PANTO IIN SCHOOL

STILL TO COME

2 OUTDOOR READING SHEDS
(KS1 KS2)
WILL BE ARRIVING SOON !!