

New Horizons P.T.F.A meeting Minutes 22.01.2018

Present

School representative A
Sarah Hanmore
Andrea Hellier
Elizabeth Woodhouse
Samantha Pain

Apologies

Emma Williams
Claire P C
Jess Fitz Howard

Approval of previous minutes

Previous minutes approved

Year one area

Sarah talked us through both the school's proposals for the area and the P.T.F. A's counter proposal.

The Schools present proposal came in at £2,500 without V.A.T.

Sarah was able to source similar items for the area at a fraction of the cost £832.00.

School representative A has taken both proposals to assess fully.

At first glance, some items for each subject are being duplicated so we may be able to purchase one set to 'do all'.

Also, school rep A was immediately see a need for more tables and chairs than we were asked to purchase.

School rep A will get back to us once there has been a chance to talk to all receiving parties.

Andrea and her mum think they may have planters they can donate suitable for the project. Sarah has upholstery foam we can use to make the outside cushions rather than purchase the cushions. Enabling us to save more money.

Sarah and Sam also sourced some outside troughs for wet/sand play.

As the school have not asked for these they will be purchased separately via donations **rather than be taken from the P.T.F.A budget.**

It was decided that the P.T.F.A would put forward the funds for the year one area rather than apply for grants.

We are better off saving any grants we can obtain for the forest school area.

Forest School

The teacher who is training to be New Horizons forest school Teacher will gain her accreditation soon.

Until then we can ask advice from one of the nursery teachers who has already has forest school training.

Andrea found some unused Pallets in the school recently and asked if we could use them to create a bug hotel in the forest school area. School rep A gave us permission to go ahead with this.

Proposed events for this year

Monthly uniform sales, to start Friday 26th January and continue on the last Friday of every month wherever possible.

Easter colouring competition, pictures to be sent home with the children on Friday 16th March. We will ask for them to be returned to school by Friday 23rd March.

This enables us to judge them on Monday 26th March ready for the prizes to be handed out on Wednesday 28th March.

Tea Towels, these will need to be completed around the 21st of May ready to hand out in July.

Summer Fayre, proposed date Friday 6th July (to be confirmed).

Coffee afternoon, two to be arranged after school the same as previous coffee afternoons.

Christmas cards, as with previous years.

Christmas Fayre, date to be arranged.

Any other business

Liz discussed some storage she had seen for sale and agree to get back to school rep A with the relevant information about it.

We all talked about how to encourage new members to actively take part in the P.T.F.A activities.

We asked if School Rep A could discuss the possibility of one of our active members being able to do a small talk to promote the P.T.F.A at the new intake talks each year.

School Rep A will find out the possibility of this and let us know.

We also discussed that for the P.T.F.A to run a refreshments stall at sports day this year there would need to be a few adjustments to what we could do as some of us didn't get to watch our own children race. Also, we have to find a way to safeguard ourselves against abusive parents at this and all future events.

Date for the next meeting

The next meeting will take place on Monday 9th March at 9.00 am.

The date for the next A.G.M has yet to be arranged.