

## PTA Meeting

Thursday 5th May 2022, 7:30pm

Held at the Metropolitan and virtually

Committee: Tejesh Ghag, Hollie Docwra, Kate Rab, Kirsty Dagarvel-Hewitt, Anshu Rai

Apologies: Katy Williams, Clare Roz

Present:, Laura Silverstone, Suzanne Powell, Bal Sahotay

Minutes from the last meeting

These can be found on the school website or on Classlist under the "PTA meeting" event page.

## Matters Arising

### Committee Appointments

The committee are thrilled to welcome 2 new members: Anshu Rai will become co-secretary and Kirsty Dagarvel-Hewitt will become a Trustee. Thanks so much to them for stepping up and we're looking forward to them getting stuck in.

How can you help? We are looking for people who can contribute to the following:

- Actively searching for donations – raffle prizes etc from local companies (either in person or via letter – happy to provide a standard template so get in touch if you can help)
- Help out at events
- Help with carnival in any capacity
- Assist in creating a Chenies 'Little Black Book' of what parents do for work and how this might be able to help us with events/donations/fundraising activities.

If you can assist with any of these tasks, please let us know: [pta@chenies.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:pta@chenies.bucks.sch.uk)

### Classlist update

We have 73 active members. If any class reps know of children leaving or joining their classes, please can you assist in deactivating profiles or ensuring people log onto classlist?

Since the last meeting, a 'Voluntary Donation' page has been added to Classlist for those who wish to donate but can't necessarily attend the events.

We have also created a new group "September 2022 Starters" – if you have a sibling starting in September, please feel free to join this group on Classlist so you can get to know each other a little in advance of the children starting.

### Second hand Uniform

The date for the new intake welcome has been confirmed as Thursday 30th June 13:30pm. The PTA plan to run a mini-presentation to welcome the new parents and demonstrate our function/let people know how they can get involved. We will also prepare second hand uniform for handing out to the new starters. Second hand uniform and PTA room clearout is currently taking place and is due to be finished in the next few weeks.

Friday 15th July will be a non-uniform day

School notice board – looking at whether we should use this as a form of communication

Really keen to run a raffle this term. Who can get what prizes? Who can approach some businesses for prizes?

Has anyone used Stickins for labels? 30% commission and last year we had bad reviews of mynametags. Have sent off for a sample before we promote.

Pirate party? So much pirate stuff – Sept national pirate day

Finance Update

Run down on figures:

£9,635.47 main bank account total

£615.24 vouchers account

£1,340.80 online payments

School's recent spends include:

- Christmas Dance Workshop £349
- Christmas Craft £91.35
- Anglo Saxon Workshop £495
- Maya workshop £395
- Tuff tray stands £135.57
- Wooden blocks (muddy faces) £220.45
- Football table £540.83
- Football kits
- Piano tuning
- Jubilee gifts

Items on the school wish list include:

- Basketball hoop with backboard - £100
- National Gallery print picture - £40
- More ipads
- Loose play parts shed - £3,000
- Replacement of old items in the rear playground

Book stands, ipad cases etc will be purchased in the new financial year once the purchase order books open again.

#### Voucher Scheme Update

Kate will be stepping down. Is anyone interested to take on this role?

Documentation which is supplied at inductions needs to be reviewed. People don't seem to know about the scheme. More advertising needed.

If you'd like to find out more please email: [pta@chenies.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:pta@chenies.bucks.sch.uk)

#### Schools of Chesham Carnival update

Interest in carnival to date has been below the expected level. Perhaps you're keen to for your child to take part but you haven't let us know yet. Please feel out this form – we are desperate for volunteers to help make this event a success. If you can spare some time making things for carnival or to assist on the day, please let us know asap – we can't do it without you! Reminder that carnival will take place on Saturday 11th June and our float theme is Chalk Streams. The children will get a once in a lifetime opportunity to ride on a lorry float and be part of this amazing project. The children have been studying chalk streams in school and will be making willow fish in class. We are holding a workshop on 19th May after school to make costumes and decorations for the float. If this sounds like something you could help with, please email: [pta@chenies.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:pta@chenies.bucks.sch.uk)

There is a carnival questionnaire in circulation. Currently only 12 people have filled out the google form to register their interest so far but it's vital to fill this out if you are interested to take part – we cannot run the event successfully with the help of both parents and children.

#### Recent events

Mothers Day Gifts - £150 approx

Burger Bingo - £126

Easter Fundraiser - £280

Tuck shop - £53

Raised over £1500 last term

#### Proposal of events for Summer

Dates will be uploaded to the Classlist event page so keep a check out on there for what's coming up!

Sponsored read, with a prize for the most books read?

Tuck shop Fridays

Ice Cream Fridays

13th May and 8th July - Friday Fitness Fun – 2 sessions with qualified PT on hand to conduct a bootcamp/circuit style fitness session for the children, to include ice lolly post workout.

May half term – Smarties Challenge

Tuesday 7th June – Jubilee Bake Off – Bring in your creations to be judged (small winners prize) and then sold at the end of day cake sale.

10th June – Carnival Prep day, helpers required

11th June – Chesham Carnival

Fri 17th June – Father's Day gifts

Fri 15th July – non uniform day

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Next meeting we will discuss what we want to run in the first part of the Autumn term – quiz?  
Halloween disco? Pirate day?

To do: update constitution

Date for the next PTA meeting. Thursday 16th June

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Tejesh Ghag & Hollie Docwra  
Co-Chairs Chenies School PTA

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