



**WASPS – Willesley Association of School and Parents**  
**Registered Charity No. 1095840**

**WASPs General Meeting**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020**

**Present:** C. Bark, J. Cooper, R.Thompson, C.Swanepoel, J.Allen, H.Shilton, N.Evans, E. Sturgess

**Apologies:** A.Wood, J.Edwards, S. Duncombe, K. Soulsby, L. Pearson, C. Massey, C. Liddel, V. Hockey, C. Beresford

**Chaired By:** Claire Bark

**Minutes By:** Claire Bark

**1. Accounts**

- a. **Auditing of 2019.2020 accounts** – Lisa Watson **CS**
- b. **MUGA** – Creative Play total cost £30,000

Sue Rainbow is staff lead. Site survey being conducted soon, with building work to start end of Nov 2020. Estimated completion is December 2020.

Astro type flooring, gateless fencing, basketball backboards, hoops, football goals and cricket stumps.

School investing some of their budget to pay the balance. WAPS Morrisons and Tesco contribution £13,500.

- c. **Sheds for playground** – Staff contact is Mr Smedley **JC**
- d. **Acorn sheds** - **JC** speaking to Beth Jones
- e. **Classroom, kitchen and office staff £60 wish list** – predominantly wet playtime games 7 equipment. CB informed ES to get teachers to check the donations still in the repo-room that were given after the flooding last year, as there are lots of games available. ES to inform school staff
- f. **Star Foundation** – still using this for now
- g. **Drop & Collect charity bags** - Bags to School @ 45p/kg or Happy School Bag @ 50p/kg – on hold until 2021 as per school request
- h. **Online sponsorship** – Amazon Smile, Stamptastic, Paypal etc – repost on FB and Weduc **CS**
- i. **School Amazon account** – check that school have signed up to this too [www.smile.amazon.co.uk](http://www.smile.amazon.co.uk)

**2. Christmas**

- a. **Fundraiser - My Childs Artwork**

**JA** lead. Drawing templates have gone into classrooms today and booklets.

Pre-drawing communication to go out to prompt parents about what is happening in school regarding the artwork. Weduc message **JA** and FB message **CS** to go out this week (ending 6<sup>th</sup> November).

Deadline for artwork is 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020. Joy picking up completed artwork and delivering to Coalville. Flyers & stickers home in bags 18-20<sup>th</sup> November 2020 and Weduc out with flyer about ordering following week.

Orders with a cutoff date to be delivered to school, anything after that to be delivered to home £1.99-£9.99 per order depending on quantity.

## **b. Christmas Jumper Day and Challenge Bags – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec**

JC lead. CD and SR have suggested the following:

JC Weduc out w/c 16<sup>th</sup> November to parents - mention payment via parent pay £1 for jumper day, £1 for on two separate lines, plus alternatively bring £1 into school –**CS** to post on FB too.

JC to check if any boxes from last year that Amy did for the teachers to use. Check the number raffle tickets too. Each classroom will need 30-32 pairs of raffle tickets, pop in envelope to give to teachers.

Challenge Bags home 20<sup>th</sup> November.

Bags back to school 27<sup>th</sup> November, to be left in a box in each classroom for a minimum of 72 hours. CD informed that teachers are going to ticket up their class bags and use their box of bags for their class only.

Other 2020 Christmas events:

- **Panto** – school have already booked a company to attend school in person. Some cost to parents.

## **3. Secondhand uniform**

**ES** Check with CD how to distribute Xmas jumpers and uniform distribution.

**HS** lead nearly completed labelling them, plus excel list of items. All items in a sealed bag.

Uniform boxes to be stored back in the repo room.

Get photos uploaded on to the WASPs Facebook page

Payment via BACs, Paypal, SUMUp. **CS** researching most efficient way to pay.

Get people to request items via FB page and WASPs email.

How to distribute the bags of clothes, keep outside of school.

We've lots of clothes, so get a message out in the new year for more donations?

## **4. School lottery**

**CS** lead. We have a lottery licence in place.

Your School Lottery 40p/per pound back to PTA. One Lottery is 50p/per pound.

50 tickets per month can raise up to £1,000/year.

Suggestion is £1 per week per ticket. All payments are managed online.

PTA to advertise it in the New Year 2021 – Weduc, FB etc. **CS**

## **5. 2021 Ideas**

- **Valentines Raffle** – To go ahead as was popular this year. Get a Weduc and FB message out before December about saving unwanted Xmas gifts for the forthcoming raffle **CB**.
- **Lockdown Cookbook** – Mother's Day gift idea? Marketing help offered **NE**.
- **Virtual Race** – Put forward by **CS**. Sponsorship. Children committed to run/ride/swim/walk a distance over 2 weeks. Review in New Year for Spring Term.
- **Krispie Crème Donut / Cake Sale** – Pre-order and sell after school. Review in New Year
- **Dare to be Different Day** – Summer Term.
- **80/90's adult disco** – This academic year if possible. Date TBC. Lyric Rooms have given the booking deposit of £200 in the form of a voucher.

- **Sports Day refreshments** - Date to be confirmed by school. It was successful so can repeat this next year
- **Year 6 leaver's disco/event** – Date not to clash with the Snowdome trip this year. Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2021. **RT, JC, CB** to lead
- **Summer Fair** – Traditional theme. **JC, RT, CB** to lead

**New term 2021.2022 ideas:**

- **Loose Change Challenge** – In each classroom
- **Halloween Pumpkin Trail/Competition** – 50p to enter. Volunteer needed. Idea for another year
- **Skills Auction** – Raffle people's skills off for day. New idea.
- **Eco Racing** – Balloon racing idea. Virtual race. All organised through website. **CS** to investigate dates.
- **Santa Zoom Call**
- **National Elf Service**

**6. AOB**

- **Notice boards** – **RT** updating next week. Just need list of dates confirming to add to the board and advertise on FB.  
Sue Rainbow spoke to **JC** about updating noticeboard with what the WASPs have achieved, raised etc – photos of play stage, practical area, forest shed etc. Plus, blurb on who we are and how to contact us etc.
- **Marketing and Social Media** – **CS** FB and grant coordinator, could do with additional volunteers please.
- **Grants & Fundraising** – **CS** lead.  
STW applications predominantly for deprived areas.  
Application submitted again for Morrisons.  
Asda requires school input, **CS** spoken to Chloe Dilks / office.  
Tesco donated £500 in August. Will try again next year.  
Co-op, plus others to try and apply for.  
Ashfield in Focus.
- **Parent forum** – Sun hat and sun cream request? **JC** asking Foundation about 60 hats.
- **Repo room storage shelving** – on hold for now. Repo-room sort out once infection rates have subsided.

Next meeting in the New Year. In the interim, the usual regular stream of communication via WhatsApp and FB channels.