



# Beaudesert Lower School PTA

Meeting minutes - Monday 20th January 2025

1. Apologies for the Absence: Elena
2. Approve Minutes of the last meeting – 04-11-2024 - **Approved**

### 3. Review of previous events/items discussed

- i. Little Recyclers - Reminder **7th March & 13th of June**
- ii. Outdoor library - **It has been delivered.** Becca to order some items from Argos through Easyfundraising, Mrs White to give us an update.
- iii. Preloved uniform sale app - **We have made around £60 so far and we are happy with the process, just need to find storage for the uniform (aiming to get a shed from Wickes for it). Add to the newsletter' bottom info so the information is always there. Add to new parents pack.**
- iv. Christmas Fair - **It was great and our biggest fundraising to date. The sleigh needed more decor, signs and lights. We suggest that the bottle or both tombolas are held outside under the shelter so there aren't massive queues inside and maybe not have them next to each other. It would be nice to have a ride so maybe go with a more reliable supplier. Consider the Snowglobe inflatable, since, even if we need to pay for it we think we'll at least make the money back and it will be a great experience for the children and everyone involved. Signpost kids toilets so the toilet in the entrance doesn't get massive queues.**
- v. Bingo night - 7th February - **Postponed to 14th March 7:30pm** - Thais to create flyer, the event on Facebook and payment page, then promote. Becca to be the caller.

### 4. New events

- i. World book day sale - **Launch the outdoor library at the same time. 6th of March.** Ask for donations on the day/week. £2 a bag. Check how many bags we have.
- ii. Easter egg hunt - **Wed 2nd April** during school hours. Source other parents to organise. **Keep an eye for £1 cadbury eggs and Becca to ask schools for list of dairy free.**
- iii. Summer Fair date - **Midsummer Fair: 20th June**
- iv. Bring a bottle date - **13th June**
- v. Bring a plant date - **16th June.** Advertise now so people can plant seeds to donate the plants. **Possibly sell seeds from the office if we get donations.**
- vi. Leavers jumpers - **We are going with the last supplier. Becca to sort. Leaflets with pick your own design after Easter.**
- vii. Leavers disco - **Find Y4 parents to organise. Friday 11th July 4-5pm. DJ neon party, possibly neon paint tattoos from Beth.**
- viii. Doughnut sale - **14th February** Order 50 boxes

### 5. Treasurer's Report

- o Bank account- update - process for payments/cards - **Becca to try get balance from Lloyds so we can use the last cheque to transfer the money. We think we should have around 6K available once everything is sorted. Process to use bank cards: Email PTA to request purchase, purchase item then Email receipt. Becca will collate all purchases and send a report to Lorna every quarter. Payments for expenses will be done on Monday (Becca will approve on Sunday and Lorna will action on Monday).**

- Fundraising targets - Outdoor gym / Outdoor wicker den (or 3) / Table tennis table / Boxes with masks for imaginary play during break time / Willow arch repair (Rosie update) - Becca found an outdoor gym with accessible equipment for 3k and a £1500 grant from WPA foundation to promote good health in schools so this could be our first target. Rosie spoke to her colleagues and they will arrange to visit and speak to Mrs. Pearce about the willow arch and the gazebo to be done after Easter.

## 6. Ongoing Projects

- School lottery/Easyfundraising - My School Lottery vs The Parents Lottery This new lottery by Parentkind seems better as gives us 60% returns instead of 40% and it has more prizes but smaller, although higher chance to win. Still possibility of winning 25k but no definite winner from our school. We need to have a look and decide if we want to switch although there is no harm in trying.
- Scooter track outside of running track - quote ready? (Becca) Not ready
- Any new teacher funding requests / fundraising targets? - Fence painting around EY and science garden/gazebo - Let's organise a parent helper day with bacon rolls/tea/coffee when everybody comes to paint the fences round the science garden and the gazebo. The fences around EY are being replaced with plastic ones. Check homebase for discounted paint.

## 7. Any other business

- Location of PTA ice cream freezer - Update from Wickes about another shed for storage? Becca - No update, Becca to chase
- New gate banner - Thais - in progress
- Big target metre - project for Ms White's friend?

## 8. Current funding requests

- Money owed to the school - We owe school £8278.57 and have £10247.79 available in our new bank account plus around 3/4 k available in Lloyds (Becca to find out and arrange transfer). At the moment we have £1726.22 available funds in our new bank account.
- Y4 residential - Y4 children to do a fundraising event to contribute towards the residential trip.
- Giant Journeys are a company that do VR and augmented reality events for schools and are having a promotion to win a dinosaur experience. However, Becca's sister can get us a 50% discount which will make any workshop for the whole school for £300.

## 9. Date and time of next meeting - 03/03/2025