

## Minutes of Meeting of Wistanstow PTA Thursday, 20th September 2018

**Present** – Betsy Cornes, Julie Davies, Molly Milner, Mariella Halford, Claire Eveson, Zerena Guerny-Adams, Juliet Orme, Ellie Goode, Mrs Townley, Catherine Watkins

**Apologies** – Maz Guillet, Marianne Bromley Page, Gill Preece, Kelly Jones

### **Matters Arising -**

There has been no progress on match funding from Barclays.  
PTA has agreed to cover the cost of Forest School for this half-term.

### **Summer Bash –**

All agreed that despite a slow start, this was a good success. Final amount raised: £1,757.  
Feedback received included: bands start later (after lunch), music to carry on into the evening for adults, different food stands (e.g. hog roast), more publicity, focus on “new bands/talent”.  
Parents to arrange for thank you cards to be made by the children for:  
Wenlock Water (Julie)  
Gin Man (Julie)  
Wood’s Brewery (Zerena)  
Peter Jones (Claire)  
Boyd’s (Zerena)

### **Pantomime –**

Due to low PTA funds this year, the PTA agreed that a payment of £10 towards each child’s ticket to the pantomime would be requested from parents. The PTA will cover the travel costs. Mrs Townley to put this in the Friday Flyer and send a letter to parents.

### **Murder Mystery –**

£20 a ticket with tables of 10 people, 100-120 tickets available. Doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start. Village Hall is booked, and Nigel Halford will be doing the bar. Need to hire crockery & cutlery. Mariella will use the school kitchen to cook the food.  
Posters and tickets to be made, helpers needed and a raffle to be run on the evening.

### **Quiz night –**

Earliest date available at the Plough is: **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019**. Date booked.

### **Christmas Party –**

Claire volunteered to buy and wrap the Christmas presents this year, usually an age-appropriate book for each child. Molly offered to help choose for class 3 and Julie will also help with wrapping. Father Christmas usually gives the presents out at the school Christmas Party held in the village hall. Mrs Townley informed the PTA that she was having discussions with Mr Tinker regarding cancelling the Christmas Party this year, due to the time pressure it puts on teachers.  
PTA discussed this news. Some parents agreed that the last week of term before Christmas was very busy for the children, while other parents thought it was a lovely tradition and thought it would be a shame for the children to lose this festive event.  
If no Christmas party, Father Christmas will give presents out in school instead, date TBC.  
Molly to book Father Christmas once date confirmed.

The PTA Christmas disco will go ahead as usual. Village hall has been booked. Date and time confirmed: **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December, 6:30-8pm**.

### **AOB –**

Julie drew the lottery numbers.  
Other possible fundraisers: many parents enjoyed the Plonk & Pud evening last year.  
Juliet asked if Bikold would be sponsoring the Bike Show raffle tickets next year. Julie to confirm.

### **Date of next meeting –**

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2018, 7:30pm in the Plough Inn.