

Parent Council Meeting - 03/12/20

Attended: Babar, Carol, Fozia, Raheela, Ambreen, Fleur, Saskia.

Apologies: Sam, Iffit, Rachel.

Agenda items discussed:

- 1) Babar suggested that we hold another online meeting that would be open to all parents. Carol confirmed that this would need to be held next term.
- 2) Presents for children were discussed. The school has purchased P1 and P2 Santa gifts and are planning to make cones filled with sweets for the rest of the children. The school still needs to buy snacks and drinks for parties. We discussed whether money from the Parent Council/excess from the donation from Southside Housing to A Very Merry Christmas could be used to supplement. Carol mentioned that donations from Morrisons and other sources will be used to make Christmas hampers for families who have been identified as being on the poverty line.
- 3) Carol confirmed that the Christmas holiday will not be extended.
- 4) Carol talked about her plans for the infant playground. She is hoping to get a shutter so that they can keep toys outside and a bespoke perspex canopy to create an outdoor classroom. She said that this will be revisited in the new year. She mentioned that donations from Show Racism the Red Card (amounting to £270) will be used to buy paint for anti-racism murals for the school. She is hoping to move forward with the murals in January/February.
- 5) Carol outlined the activities that the school has lined up for the end of term. She remains unsure whether outdoor carol singing can still take place now that we are in tier 4. She said that every class will have an hour in the playground with Kate on either Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th. The classes that have been doing the desk dances will be showing them to the classes that haven't done them yet. Kate will be filming the children. On Wednesday 9th, the children will be making antlers for their reindeer run in aid of CHAS. This will take place on Friday 11th, along with the school Christmas dinner. Santa (Carol's husband) will be in the school on Wed 16th. From Thursday 17th to Tuesday there will be pantomime showings in the hive (just over an hour per class). The hive will be decorated with Christmas lights and the children will be given popcorn. On Thursday 17th the children will be decorating biscuits and planning parties. The parties will take place on Friday 18th. It is likely that on Thursday 17th, Mon 21st and Tuesday 22nd, the children will go on the Very Merry Christmas trails. The nativity will be Michael mouse. P1a are doing the first half, P1b the second half and P2 will narrate. The school will make it into a film.
- 6) A Very Merry Christmas is on track. Flyers should go out to schools on Monday.
- 7) Fozia confirmed that Nathalie got extra funding for the school allotment as a result of her meeting yesterday.

- 8) Fozia confirmed that she is in the process of sorting out online banking for the Parent Council.
- 9) We briefly discussed the school library and Babar said that he would contact Carol (who had already left the meeting).
- 10) We agreed that it would be good to hold a regular monthly meeting. We penciled it in for the first Thursday of every month (3:30- 5pm) although this could change if necessary. Babar will email Carol to find out if this would suit her although he mentioned that we could hold some meetings without her if necessary.

Actions:

Babar- Email Carol to follow up on the meeting (to ask about the library and about regular monthly meetings).

Saskia- Contact Kate about payment from Southside Housing and the amount of excess funds. Contact Nathalie to confirm the amount of funding that she will receive from other sources/shortfall. Report back to the Parent Council.

Fozia- Arrange with a second signatory for online banking to be set up. To look out for the payment from Southside Housing and alert the Parent Council once it comes through so that we can inform the school about the excess.

Next Meeting:

Thursday 7th January, 3:30- 5pm (TBC)