

**Irthington Village School PTA Meeting 27th April 2015 at 7.00pm at
Irthington School**

Present - Diane Bryant, Fiona Todd, Emma Chalmers, Denene Kerr, Leigh Rutherford, Annabella Faulder, Julie Storr, Emma Skelton, Rachel Matthews, Mandy Ewart, Catherine Edwards, , Mrs Sweetman and Mr Bulmer

Apologies Lynne Lawson, Mrs Harrison, Heidi Wright & Maggie Lewis

Matters arising from previous minutes

Constitution

Mrs Harrison queries some points on the proposed new constitution. Emma Skelton raised some points that were on the proposed new constitution and said she would discuss further with Mrs Harrison and Denene. It was also discussed if we needed to be a charity, some felt that this may be a backward step. It was also queried if we were no longer a charity we made need to change the bank account and then we may begin to incur bank charges. We will discuss this further at another meeting.

Air Ambulance Collection

It has been suggested having a trailer in Newtown to collect the air ambulance bags.

Review of finances

The games night raised £213, Coffee Morning £323 and The Air Ambulance raised £244.
Funds paid to school - £395 Willow Sculpture, £140 mag post
Current Balance stands at £4825

Plans of Expenditure

So far no quote has been received from Rhythm AV in Carlisle for the lighting

3 Moky classes have been booked to happen in May, they are at a cost of £50 per session and two classes can take part per session.

The Goal posts have now been funded through a grant the school managed to obtain

The Maths puzzle visit has been booked for 20th May at a cost of £545

Mrs Harrison has said the new screens are now a priority and we have agreed to pay £1500 towards them now.

Denene has suggested hiring an inflatable for the children to have for the day at a cost of £150 plus £80 delivery and set up. Mrs Harrison would prefer this to happen during the school day during the summer term. We need to check the public liability insurance before hiring it.

Summer Fair

Sunday 7th June 2pm - 4pm, with a theme of "Madagascar" entrance will be free

Denene is going to ask the gentleman who was Santa if he would come and judge the fancy dress competitions. These will be split between nursery/KS1 and KS2. With prize money of 1st £3, 2nd £2 and 3rd £1.

Stalls below were suggested, we now just need volunteers to run them, Denene will ask for volunteers and will confirm the final list of stalls once volunteer numbers are known

Cakes

Plants

BBQ

Tombola

Bottle Hoopla
Face Painting
Guess the teacher
Lucky bucket
Welly Wanging
Human Fruit Machine
Pimms/Lager
Ice Creams
Raffle

Mrs Sweetman asked if the teachers would be needed to run their usual games

Emma Skelton to produce posters and distribute

We will get a licence to cover the selling of the pimms and lager

Grand Raffle

Denene and Diane are going to arrange sending out letters to local businesses to try and get raffle prizes with the offer of advertising.

Emma Skelton has been given a box of high end candles with slight imperfections which could either be used as raffle prizes or sell separately at Christmas or other events.

Worm Charming

Sunday 12th July 2pm - 4pm. There will be a charge of £1 per adult 50p children if spectating.

Plots will be sold at £5 for a 2 person plot and £10 for a family plot, which will need marked out.

The worm charming itself will take approx. $\frac{1}{2}$ hour and the counting of worms may take 1- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

We will have cream teas, hold the Grand Raffle and think of some other entertainment to take place during the afternoon to keep everyone interested.

Emma Skelton will design a poster to put in the parish magazine and will also write to the Willaston primary school inviting them to attend.

Entry forms will be available from school and the school website.

AOB

Denene has been approached to see if we would like to hold a fashion show. We decided that we didn't think we would get enough people to attend so it therefore wouldn't be viable.

Denene has been approached by the PTA+ national magazine to supply a testimonial about the scarecrow trail, which may feature in the magazine there were mixed feeling about this as although it made approx. £500 both years there wasn't the response we'd hoped for with entries and people paying for trail sheets after all the advertising we had done. Denene said it was a successful event for such a small school and that similar articles in the magazine can be useful to other schools'.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm

The Date of next meeting will be Monday 15th June in School, time to be confirmed.