

## Our Lady and St Joseph Parents Association Meeting

**Date:** 7<sup>th</sup> June 2023

**Time:** 7.15 pm

**Location:** online

**Present:** Fiona Abrams (FA), Kim Finer (KF), Luisa Strand (LS), Emma Simpson (ES), Anna Finlay (AF), Sophie Porter Stratford (SPS), Vera Sabeva (VS), Maria G Savito (MGS), Melissa Gomez (MG) and Okcana (O).

**Apologies:** Carla Russo (CR)

### 1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- The minutes were received on the same day no comments have been raised

#### **ACTIONS**

- Minutes from the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May to be discussed on the next PA meeting

### 2. RUN OLSJ RUN

- We joined the Islington run because the Hackney in Stratford will be held on December
- Date the 25<sup>th</sup> of June at Highbury Field from 10.30am
- Target to reach is £10.000 including the RUN KIDS RUN sponsors donation
- The organizers of the event hasn't sent relevant documentation yet. Paloma from RKR is in touch with FA and KF
- Map of the race circuit to be drafted by organiser
- 2km for all the kids, REC and Y1 can join the young group (running with parents for 1km)
- MGS proposed a dress-up day in school with 1£ donation towards the RKR event
- Just Giving account to be created in order to collect the donations. ES to look into alternative giving pages (note: this has been done in the meantime and Just Giving page is alive)
- Eventbrite page to be done for registration (note: this has been done in the meantime page is alive)
- Flyer with sponsorship and instruction for registration to be sent out to families. ES to draft it, FA to chase school for distribution
- Volunteers are needed for the day from 9.30am: first aider (ES to fulfil this role), OLSJ table for registration min 2 people, marshals with hi-vis jackets along the circuit
- There is a RKR whatsapp sub-group everyone is welcome
- Paul (Linda husband) from y2 asked t join the sub-group

#### **ACTIONS**

- Volunteers call for OLSJ table and marshals
- Paul to be added to the whatsapp group.

### 3. THE SUMMER FAIR

- Date 7<sup>th</sup> of July 4:30pm to 6:30pm. Clean up time not confirmed yet
- Sub-group on whatsapp already set
- Theme not confirmed yet, some discussion was made Circus. A specific meeting is planned for the 12<sup>th</sup> of June
- Raffle- decision to be taken on prizes not claimed. Few prizes were left unclaimed in the office or businesses reported as not been used
- Raffle- collection of prizes should start asap
- Raffle- KF asked for ideas to involve corporations or big businesses for prizes
- FA suggested checking with estate agent boards. It was done in the past with Stirling Ackroyd

#### **ACTIONS**

- Clean up time to be confirmed with school
- Invite people from Core group to make suggestions on themes and stalls
- Meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July

#### **4. TRANSITION EVENING**

- More than 10ppl attended
- Requests to run another event have been made. PA to arrange dates
- It was discussed about Learning Trust to visit schools for y6 parents to discuss about (Hackney only) secondary school offers

#### **ACTIONS**

- PA to look into possible dates for another secondary school transition meeting

#### **5. EXCURSIONS AND WORKSHOPS**

- ES met Ms Woodhouse to discuss the list of the activities proposed by the PA. School has received very well the proposals particularly the Hackney School of food and the garden school. School would like to have them not a single event but a long term learning (3 years or less) for the benefit of y3 and onwards
- Garden class can be run at the Kings Henry walk, £150 2 hours lesson for the benefit of the entire school
- Suggestions to ask for local sponsors for the gardening school were made. Like N1 on Englefield rd
- Parents with older kids recall the graffiti workshop done in school and how kids loved it. A similar workshop has been discussed with Ms Woodhouse. It was reported that school has thought of a kind of graffiti done by the kids to be kept in school to decorate, possibly, the school hall
- It is too late for this academic year to provide trips/activities to the kids although provision for next year needs to be decided asap to be booked in time for next year

#### **ACTIONS**

- PA to look at finance implication of committing for long term activities
- Ask N1 if interested in sponsoring the garden school
- PA to discuss further the graffiti provision with the school

#### **6. CHARITY STATUS**

- KF and FA provided an update on the latest discussions about the PA Charity Status. It was reported to reduce the number of trustees hoping to speed the process
- CR and VS are checking the template constitution documents

- The AGM to take place in July after the Summer fair. Date to be confirmed
- Given that it was not possible to confirm the availability of the Church Hall, it was proposed to hold the AGM in one of the C.L.R. James Dalston Library meeting rooms.

#### ***ACTIONS***

- To update the Sub-Committee Charity Status and documents
- To agree in a date for the meeting
- To get quotes from the library meeting room.

#### **7. NEW MONEY-MAKING**

- FA suggested checking with estate agent boards. It was done in the past with Stirling Ackroyd, to try now with Benyon estate
- To discuss more during next meeting

#### ***ACTIONS***

- VS and KF to get in touch with Benyon

#### **8. SPENDING**

- DT shopping list from Ms Fiona has been voted and agreed. First instalment to be paid asap
- A spreadsheet with all the funding and spending has been requested by PA members. Document to mention what has been agreed with school, what has been given and what has been requested
- Request from school so far: £1.000 library funds, £300 y6 play and £500 for Ms Helen for plants and flowers
- KF has proposed to renew the gazebos. Proposal welcomed from PA member

#### ***ACTIONS***

- Pay DT first instalment

#### **9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- Check calendar for next year and set dates for PA events with school

Next meeting: June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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