



SAPA Monthly Meeting

14th September 2020

Attendees (via Zoom):

Neil Priestner	Lucia Eleuterio
Lynda Nempotakis	Claire-Marie Boggiano
Brett Winter-Roach	Mary Ireland
Cathy McBride	Nasir Ali
Mark Lilley	Mr & Mrs Aggarwal
Mr Stephen Brady (College)	
Mr Frank Driscoll (Prep School)	
Sheila ?	

Neil welcomed everybody to the meeting and introductions took place.

AGM Minutes:

Neil reviewed the minutes from the AGM held in the Summer. He explained there are different methods of communicating with parents including email, Twitter and Facebook. Neil directed attendees to the SAPA pages of the school website and asked if everybody could complete a consent form so their details can be added to the database. Neil confirmed he will be writing to all names currently on the database to ask for their confirmation that they wish to continue receiving information from SAPA.

Neil added that £9k was distributed in July 2020. Income was less than predicted as Uniform sales at the Rugby Camps couldn't go ahead.

Action: Neil

Uniform Sales

Lynda confirmed that £800 was raised at the Uniform sale held in July. An eBay shop was also held over the Summer which raised an additional £270. Further sales held early in September had also raised £330.

There are approximately 50-100 old rugby shirts that school can no longer use. Mr Brady is hoping that it may be possible for these to be donated to the School Charity in Sierra Leone and will make further enquiries.

Mary confirmed that shirts and trousers never sell but jumpers, blazers, ties and sports kit have always sold well.

It was agreed to hold another uniform sale before/after ½ term. Further consideration will also be given to offering click and collect options for Parents. Mr Brady and Mary also offered to help with future sales.

Action: Mr Brady

Finances:

Neil confirmed there is £1500-£1600 in the account and tonight's uniform sale will take that to £1800.

Neil asked Mr Driscoll for an update on how last years funds had been used. Mr Driscoll said the school had hoped to purchase staging, but it has been put on hold currently.

Mr Brady confirmed that Mr Rainey had not yet decided what the College would use their funds for.

Claire-Marie asked if there was specific fundraising, Mr Driscoll confirmed in the past there had been for play equipment at the prep.

Events:

Mark confirmed that it is very unlikely that the Christmas Fair will be going ahead this year. The main fundraising activity is likely to be the Christmas Raffle. Last year the raffle raised between £3-£3.5k with a large proportion of the ticket purchased over Parentmail.

The aim this year will be to maximise donations and for tickets to be sold over Parentmail. In previous years a 'star prize' has been purchased which may happen again this year.

Neil asked Mr Driscoll if this may be an option for the Prep and Mr Driscoll said he would speak to Mrs Wong but he felt it would not be problematic.

It was agreed that a separate meeting would be arranged to discuss the raffle.

Neil added that it may be difficult to repeat the Quiz this year. Claire-Marie said that if parents are made aware that there are fewer fundraising opportunities this year they may support the raffle more. Claire-Marie suggested considering alternative fundraising ideas that could be done remotely such as Online Bingo or quizzes.

Action: Mr Driscoll

Next Meeting: Monday 12th October 2020 at 7pm via Zoom