

## PTA MEETING MINUTES

Thursday 24th<sup>th</sup> September 9.00am

**Present:** (RW) Kayleigh Williams (KW) Anne Field (AF) Rachel Field (RF) Charlotte Tatham (CT)

**Chair** – Kayleigh Williams

**Treasurer** – Anne Field

**Secretary** – Rachel Field

### **Item 1 – Discussing how to raise funds and organise events during this time.**

We have had a meeting to think of ideas to raise money for the PTA and what sort of events we can do for the children so they can still enjoy the upcoming months. Some ideas we have had are.

**Bags for school** – Bags for school is on 20<sup>th</sup> October please bring your bags to school with you in the morning or leave outside your house if you live in Cheswardine. You can use your own bags as they have not sent any out this year.

**Virtual bingo** – This will be done at certain time and date, there will be no video link just log on and if you win press a button to say so. Details to follow, KW to contact Parentkind for the information.

**Halloween** – Due to the current situation trick or treat should not be done this year but we still want the children to enjoy the spirit of Halloween. We have come up with a “Halloween pumpkin hunt” the children can buy a map and then go looking for the pumpkins around the village, they then have to draw each design they see on a piece of paper and they will win a prize. This will be on for the whole weekend for social distancing. If you would like to put a pumpkin in your house/garden to be a part of the hunt please email [rach.field@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:rach.field@hotmail.co.uk). We will be selling the maps on 26/10/2020 and 29/10/2020 after school in the car park, you will also be able to get one in the community shop.

### **Christmas time –**

**Panto** - As the children usually visit the pantomime every year and the PTA fund this, we don't want them to miss out so an alternative is trying to find a small theatre group to come to school to do a panto for each class bubble. This is currently being discussed with school.

**Disco** – The PTA also would have loved to give the children a disco like last year but again this won't be happening, so we are hoping to discuss with school about doing a disco at school in their bubbles.

**Walking Christmas market** – We have discussed a Christmas market outside either the high street or playing fields, for crafts , food, books, games anything anyone would like to sell. We would also like a visit from Santa who of course will be socially distancing and waving

from a distance. We will need to discuss this further with the council to find the best and safest way to do this. More information will be given as soon as we have confirmation on this and tables will be £5

As this is such an unusual and strange time, we want to keep the PTA going for the children to benefit from the money we raise so your support would be very welcome.

If you would like to join our PTA, if you have any spare time to help with any of the events we do or are able to attend meetings, please speak to one of our PTA members or email [pta.cheswardine@gmail.com](mailto:pta.cheswardine@gmail.com). The annual general meeting will be held on 20/10/2020 at 9.15am, all parents and new members welcome. Please speak to Kayleigh Williams if you would like to attend.

Please keep a look out on the board at school and Cheswardine chat on Facebook for more info on any of these events.

The PTA email address is [pta.cheswardine@gmail.com](mailto:pta.cheswardine@gmail.com) if you have any suggestions or any donations.

**DATES FOR DIARY**

**20<sup>th</sup> October 2020 - Bags to school**

**20<sup>th</sup> October 2020 – Annual General meeting 9.15am**

**26<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> October 2020 – Buy your maps for the Halloween pumpkin hunt**