

Grindleford Primary School PTA Minutes

The Maynard, 21/09/2022

Present: Anna (Chairing) and Ed A, Kat R, Jenny G, David K, Paula V, Sharon G (minuting).

Apologies: Mrs Gemmell, Laura G, Lizzy L, Ellie S, Paula & Andy P, Beth & Andy M, Liz D, Helen F.

The Gallop: Fell runners, 600 people enter - £25pp. £11,000 profit for the school.

The Gallop contributes towards school trip every year, Panto, Spooky Walk, cost of equipment/extra activities.

Jenny suggested making a donation above the donation fee to be able to claim Gift Aid if a Registered Charity. She will investigate this further and inform Mrs Ibbotson.

Structure – Anna leading (Race Director). Helen F will be taking over.

Entries to go live 2nd November. £25 entry fee to continue this year (?£26.50 with gift aid option). Usually 500 runners, 100 walkers. 10% drop out rate on the day. ?650 entries to allow for this – will review historical data or d/w Adrian across other events.

Difficulty coordinating volunteers in the past – aiming to tackle differently this year. Emails and texts. School may be able to send further emails and texts in addition to Class WhatsApp Groups. Jane C has given strategies to encourage volunteering. New volunteers to all have supported (not leadership) roles.

David reported on a debrief following Gallop 2022 to further break down roles to manageable hours/responsibility. ?Buddy system.

Ellie will shadow Jane C at Hassop Station this year. ?Newton Family to cover Baslow again. ?Governors as a team to cover a checkpoint.

Mrs Costello will lead catering.

Website Design/Social Media.

Company Fabian4 (Race Tech software) does timing on the day - ?Volunteer (with IT skills) to do this. £350 service on the day + £600 compulsory. Previously used SI Entry and volunteers calculated timings. Adrian has agreed for someone to shadow ?via Zoom. ?Attila to speak to Ed Richardson/Neil regarding this.

Merchandise (?The Promotional Clothing Company in Sheffield) – schoolchildren competition for t-shirt design – competition planned for 1-2 weeks before half term. Lyndsey has kindly offered to do it again this year and be shadowed. Buffs with a different colour this year – Anna will email Marcus to discuss options. Sold approx. 270 last year.

Breedon usually sponsor race numbers (£500). Outside/Rab Winter Series have requested to sponsor (?prizes – Anna will clarify). Other events incl Hathersage Night Run, Baslow Bolt.

Jobs to be done – Land permissions, update risk assessments. Anna will d/w Helen.

Social event proposed – ?Pavillion during Halloween Disco, Thursday 20th October. Spooky Walk 5:30pm.

Next (Gallop) meeting TBA – Anna, David, Helen, Liz.

Spooky Walk – Jenny.

A few more props required. Jenny has ordered.

Several "zones". Props in school store room/PTA shed.

On the day – Class 1 and 2 volunteers – six to set up, three or four to clear up. ?Vicky A to be Witch. (Ayesha to be contacted re: backstories). ?Kids with allergies/dietary preferences. Approx. 60 children at the school. Ed suggests two marshals at the bottom of the road for safety. Children need to be supervised by parents at all times. Mrs Ibbotson is sorting Halloween disco – Jenny will check timing. Teachers will run the disco – Jenny will please clarify. Grindleford Ramblings WhatsApp Group will be approached for carved pumpkins.

Pre-Covid children and parents get-together at **Thornbridge Outdoors** – ?Novembertime (??Remembrance Sunday). PTA have previously funded this.

Positions of Chair and Secretary needed (Paula V and Jenny G will kindly consider acting in these positions).

Andy M is happy to continue as **treasurer** for the PTA – thankyou. He is currently sole trustee. Jenny will contact Andy regarding this.