

Date – 15th April 2024

Time 7 - 8pm

Zoom

Attendees:

Claire Winward (CW)

Frances Gale (FG)

Tom Osman (TO)

Carys Woolley (minutes) (CXW)

Louise Cranney (SC)

Natalie King (NK)

Faye Allen (FA)

3 Main Items for Agenda:

- 1. Outdoor classroom**
- 2. St. Joe's Got Talent**
- 3. Summer fete**

1. The school staff got together and reviewed the design previously discussed and decided on a different design which is larger, will use up the space more efficiently and will provide more shelter and therefore a more useable space all year round for the children. The new design was shared by picture on what's app. It is octagon shaped with half walls and a decking floor all made of wood. Inside the walls will be benches all the way around. There will be an opening on the side for entry. In case of the use of a firepit in the middle of the space, the roof will be designed with a vented roof to allow smoke to exit the shelter. If a firepit is going to be installed, FG recommended a table which sits on top of the pit which can be used for board games etc. so the space is more useful. Due to the larger size of the structure, oak is no longer feasible as a material of construction – cost and weight. It will now be made out of larch which is also durable. The contractor has offered a warranty of 5 years and is sure that with the correct treatment, it should have no sign of wear after 10 years. He is able to start ground work on the 21st May and have installation complete by the 28th May. The new total cost is £12.5k which is slightly more than previously agreed. Mr Bath said he was going to contact a reference provided by the contractor for feedback. CW suggested to Mr Bath that we could also get gazebo walls (clear plastic) that hook on to walls to provide additional shelter in winter. **CW to ask Mr Bath if he has done this and to chase to get feedback on floor, durability, usefulness, lessons learnt etc.**
2. St. Joe's Got Talent will be on the 14th June and will be an evening event. Teachers are organising the auditions and acts. PTFA will sell tickets and organise refreshments. The event will last about 1.5 hours in total. Refreshments will include things like tuck shop, popcorn, ice creams and drinks – no hot food. PTFA to arrange judges – Deacon Didier has been asked by TO and has agreed to help. Other suggestions are Mrs Bath (drama and music teaching experience), Nigel Osman (PTFC manager and well known in community) and Anne-Marie (St. Joe's church

youth activities) all are impartial as no children in school and would be good options.
TO to ask Anne Marie. FG to ask Nigel Osman. CW to ask Mr Bath to ask Mrs Bath.

3. Summer fete booked for 6th July 12-4pm. Bouncy castle booked by NK. Band booked – TO's band and we have gazebos. The stalls were discussed and agreed as follows:

Year 6 – Bar and BBQ

Year 5 – Sweets, tuck shop & ice lollies

Year 4 - Teas and cakes

Year 3 – Jam jars and bottles (if teachers can't do it on the day)

Year 2 – Raffle tickets, ticket and voucher sales and colouring competition

Year 1 – Lucky dip and pocket money stall

Reception – Bouncy Castle and Field Games

Beauty team of volunteer parents – hair and face painting

Each year group to plan and get volunteers to run their stall/activity. Mr Bath wants printed raffle tickets to be able to pull out of a jar rather than done virtually. **CXW to discuss with him and find a practical/quick way to do this.**

All year reps to ask their years/contacts for volunteers for hair and face painting.

Aim is to get all parents to do this but, if we don't get enough volunteers, we can use parent's colleagues to help and split profit with their business.

Mrs Matravers would like the Year 6 business fayre to be revived and they have asked if this can be done alongside the PTFA fayre. This is fine as long as there is no overlap e.g. the business fayre stalls don't offer the same product or activity as the PTFA ones. **We need to liase with Mrs Matravers** to make sure this is the case and explain that the payment system for the Year 6 businesses will have to be kept separate i.e. cash or own QR code – not the same pre-paid vouchers. Ideas for year 6 could be home made arts and crafts – e.g. bracelets, penalty shoot out The aim is for their fayre to supplement and attract people to the overall fayre.

There is no special theme this year other than "summer fayre". **We should contact Aspire school of dance to perform for us as well as potentially a martial arts demo and the winners of the St. Joe's Got Talent competition.**

Summary:

Next meeting will be in about a month.

FG to report back on final details of outdoor classroom – "Gertie"

Wait to hear for more details on St. Joe's Got Talent

Start to get commitment from year volunteers for support at the summer fayre