MINUTES OF PTA MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER

PRESENT: Julie Greener, Nick Read, Peter Hake, Linda Coe, Jane, Carla, Suzanne, Sally, Kathryn, Jennie, Paul, Sam, Fiona, and Sarah.

Jane welcomed Sally Fletcher as a new member of the PTA. Linda Coe was present in the absence of Alison Horn.

Open Evening Thursday 17th Sept - 6pm - 8.45pm

Members of the PTA were serving refreshments, handing out leaflets about the PTA and selling squares for the lucky raffle, (which will be drawn at the Christmas Fair) Many thanks to all of you that helped out, it was a successful evening.

Social Evening with Sarah Jones - Tuesday 22nd September 6.30pm

This is our annual social event where all parents are encouraged to come along and meet members of the PTA with the possibility of joining up. This year Sarah Jones has agreed to attend with Tristan Forster, the Assistant Principal. It will be a relaxed evening with refreshments, Jane has ordered tea,

coffee and biscuits from catering, PTA to provide scones for cream tea, volunteers to bake needed!

Nick Read to organise a Group call.

Goose Fair - Wednesday 14th October

Paul Glanville has already sent out a reminder to all parents to contact him in order to be put on the rota for parking duty on Goose Fair day. This is our major fundraiser of the year even if you are only available for an hour please contact Paul to give your support glani@msn.com. Jane to organise float.

Christmas Fair - Wednesday 9th December

Jane to liaise with Nicky Merriot and circulate list of existing tables booked to avoid duplication. The main hall has been booked for the event and Linda confirmed we could have a Hog Roast, Carla to approach Downings. Suzanne and Carla to investigate advertising costs. Posters will need to be produced (volunteer please) and circulated in October/November. Any ideas and volunteers to help on the day welcomed.

Time to be confirmed.

Fashion Show - Spring/Summer 2016

Jane suggested we look at a staging a Fashion Show in the spring/summer term. Nicky Merriot had passed on details of a lady that supplies high street clothing i.e. Next, M&S, Monsoon, White Stuff, Boden etc. with 30% reduction on RRP. Jane to circulate her details so PTA can decide whether to go ahead. We need to provide venue, Models (10) and everything else is organised by Shopoholics. Funds can be raised by selling tickets, raffle and refreshments and she gives us 5% of everything she sells. Comments welcomed.

Any Other Business

Linda confirmed that the total amount made by the Solar Schools Project was £8,100. Panels will be put on the Garden House where the Land Based Studies take place, this will make the building totally self sufficient. Linda thanked the PTA for their support.

Jane invited comments on the PTA page of the Tavistock College website. James Littlejohn will post minutes and update events accordingly.

Jane had been approached by a student, Joe Jordan who is organising the student newspaper, to ask for a termly donation of £50 from the PTA to help with printing costs which will amount to £438 a term. Finance have made a one off

donation of £1000 to start the project off. The first edition of 1000 copies will be printed in approximately three weeks. His aim is to make the paper free for students but have a nominal charge to staff and parents, plus the students will be organising their own fundraising events. Jane suggested Joe have a table at the Christmas Fair. Sam to approach printing firm in Plymouth and liaise direct with Joe. PTA to discuss further, any comments gratefully received.

Julie Greener wanted to invite PTA members to a talk from the Thrive Organisation about Wellbeing etc. on Monday 21st September from 3.30-5.30pm in the Main Hall.

Date of Next Meeting to be confirmed