



Shillingstone Primary PTA

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Minutes of Meeting

21st September 2026 8pm

The Old Ox, Shillingstone

Attendees

Jasmine Young (JY)

Lillie Smith (LS)

Sophie Hibbard (SH)

Lindsay Curry (LC)

Leanne Pearce (LP)

Louise Croton (LCr)

Apologies

Agenda

1. Welcome Back
2. New Parent Tea Party
3. Doughnut Sale
4. Halloween
5. Forest School
6. BYB/Outdoor Space
7. Christmas
8. AOB



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1. Welcome Back

- Role changes
- Numbers in each year group
- AW wants doormat £300- PTA think this shouldn't come out of the budget

2. New Parent Tea Party

- 23rd September 3.20pm
- Need cake, milk and biscuits- JY to sort
- TA to fill up hot water urn and turned on. LS to sort.
- LCr to accompany JY to meet new parents

3. Doughnut Sale

- Wednesday 30th September. £1 per doughnut.
- LS to liaise with Linda/ Morrisons about ordering doughnuts in advance
- SH to buy and pick up doughnuts and drop at school
- JY to get to school at 3pm to set up table and sell with LS
- LCr to offer to football club at 4.15pm- Cash Only
- LS Check paper bags in cupboard. Gloves from TA

4. Halloween Disco

- Friday 2nd October Non-Uniform day in exchange for sweets
- £3 entry- cone of sweets on way out
- Leftovers sold as surplus the following day
- Ask for helpers on Whatsapp group to make sweetie cones in staff room
8.45-9.45am- Wednesday 14th October
- Wednesday 21st October Halloween Disco 4.30-5.30pm
- KS2 children can go in Mrs Vail's classroom for Karaoke
- 5.15pm party games
- Colouring table
- JY to order sweet cones



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5. Forest School

- Feedback from children and parents has been great
- £1340 AW raised on Just Giving
- £1100 left to pay from PTA. – £2439.36 total
- SH to discuss with SAST finance re Maria Higgs payment
- Money raised from the club is used to pay for materials
- LS to ask School Council to get Student Voice for feedback about Forest School to go in Newsletter
- Discussed future funding of Forest School- this term and next term can be covered by PTA. But summer term depends on fundraising.
- Send out a survey to parents to see if they would be willing to pay, how much they would be willing to pay.

6. BYB/Outdoor Space

- £400 still to spend on outdoor space
- Most of the garden was finished by BYB but some left to do
- AW/SV to discuss with teachers how best to spend the remaining money
- AW has asked if anyone knows who can render seating area in spiritual garden. LP to speak to Scott to see if he would do it.
- Bike area has not been resined yet

7. Christmas

- Artwork for schools. AW has agreed that all classes will complete in art lessons and JY will send off
- Has to be completed in school by 14th October
- Bake off was successful last year. Theme to choose from: gingerbread men, christmas cupcakes, mince pies. Friday 4th December. Judged by teachers. Prizes from PTA. One per year group (7). Bakers to provide a list of ingredients to keep it safe for children with allergies.



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- Christmas party- Monday 14th December
 - Entertainment
 - JY has looked at Jamie Jigsaw- circus skills and 4 class workshops, with end of day show, tricks to take home- £595.
 - All in attendance agreed with this idea.
 - SH to accept quote and pay.
 - LS looked at pantomime coming in but price was £1300
 - Food
 - Each class to have food wish lists.
 - School council can collect suggestions from children. Parents will come to main door to say what they will bring. PTA to tie up loose ends if empty spaces.
 - Children to bring in one item of food each to share with their class
 - PTA to do teacher table food
 - Presents
 - Some parents don't want books
 - LS has looked at presents- craft creations, pom poms, solar, magic sets, flashcards.
 - LS will order.
 - Christmas Fair
 - AW has asked if the PTA would do one- we have decided we haven't got the time or man power to offer this
 - Wreath Making
 - LS to enquire about florist
 - We could sell refreshments/ entry ticket price

8. AOB

- Swimming coach fees seem excessive at £160 per week. Look into options of Bryanston minibus drivers
- Some classes still have some money to spend
- Waiting for TOPS payment



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- Fundraising ideas- break the rules day (crazy hair/ nail varnish- for every rule they break they pay £1)
 - Dad's evening at The Old Ox for a social

Next meeting: Friday 16th October 2pm, Shillingstone Primary School