PTA Committee Meeting - Sunday 29th Jan 2023 Attendees: Jess, Georgia, Emma, Anna and Di Apologies: None

<u>Technology</u>

The aim of this meeting was to discuss issues that arose during the general PTA meeting on Tuesday 24th Jan.

- Approved spend of £5,000. This is an adjustment on the £6,000 having pushed back to school on the need for ipad specific technology.
- Approved spend of up to £500 on items from the School Council wishlist.
- We asked the school council to come up with a list of things the children would like PTA to help fund. There were some big ticket items which needed more consideration but it was shocking to see things like glue sticks and more pencils! This has triggered a discussion around basic items which budgets no longer cover in the required abundance so we proposed a stationery drive.
- Basics every term which can be assisted by PTA or funded directly by parent donations via an Amazon wish list - thanks to Becca Nelson who has compiled this list which you can find <u>here</u>
- While looking at the basics, we also suggested each teacher come up with their ideal class and what it looks like, what things does it include? Cushions, a class plant, etc.
- Parents could help by adding a simple item like adding a snuggly blanket to your trolley when in ikea.

Grants and Bids

- Discussed potential ways to gain money for the school through grants/bids.
- Emma to lead on this and research what is out there for us to apply for. We always need help on this particularly on STEM. If you have experience in this area please throw your hat in the ring to help ensure we are chasing the right pot of money!
- Also discussed the need to find parents to 'match fund' the events that we do so we are able to increase the amount of money we raise. Many companies will match fund charity events how best to inform the school community about this and get people to sign up.

Upcoming Events

- Thursday 9th Feb Non-uniform day (wear Red or Pink for Valentine's if you wish) Di to create poster and add to socials/Dojo.
- After school there will be a uniform sale and cake sale with tea and coffee require parent helpers ask via whatapp groups.
- Year 3 parents are also going to run some craft activities.
- All of the above will take place in the cafe hal.