

Parents, Teachers & Friends Association Minutes from Meeting 24th September 2026, 6pm

Present: Ms J Eades **JE**, Mr R Hilderbrand **RT**, Ms T Mackay **TM**, Mr B McKeown **BM**, Ms J Morgan **JM** (Joint Secretary), Ms S Rawding **SR**, Dr L Reynolds **LR** (Treasurer), Ms L Robson **LRO**, Ms J Snell **JS**, Ms J Thurlow **JT**

Apologies: Ms J Brocklebank **JB**, Ms C Richman **CR** (Joint Secretary)

		Action
Minutes	Minutes of last meeting agreed as a true and accurate record.	All
Welcome	All welcomed to the meeting and apologies noted. Welcome to Jessica Eades, Sophie Rawding and Tanya Mackay who have children in Year 7	All
Finance update	Bank balances: Nat West £531.97, Co-op £3175.18 We aim to raise £6,000 this year towards the rest of the computer upgrade to windows 11. A Just Giving page has been set up with a link to the PTFA. JS to meet with LR to handover the finances. Promotion required to get new parents to join the PTFA lottery. BM has spoken to Whatstandwell Festival regarding a potential donation to school. DCC have a local project fund which provides grants to schools. SR will follow up. There is a gardening fund we might be able to get money from for gardening – JE to follow up.	 JS/LR JS SR JE
Forthcoming Events	<u>Balloon Race</u> Will start on Saturday 24 th October for one week; £3 per balloon to go on sale 3 weeks before the race starts. <u>Silent Auction</u> BM updated all on how the Silent Auction was organised last year. It was agreed that we would run it again this year as it was a good fundraiser. Stuart Bartlett had provided the technical expertise to support the PTFA with the administration and promotional materials, to create the auction pages on the auction website “Jumblebee.” The school drama play ‘Frozen’ will be on Thursday 19 th , Friday 20 th , and Saturday 20 th November.	BM BM/JM

	Volunteers are needed to serve on the bar for 3 nights. There will be a Hamper Raffle each night, courtesy of Ms McKeown and supported by students to help sell tickets on the night. It was suggested that we include zero alcohol beer as part of the refreshments provided. JM/BM will do a stock check of the PTFA drinks and order the supplies needed. <u>Music concert</u> Will be on 10th December. Helpers are needed to serve refreshments / and help with the Hamper Raffle	
Fell Race	JT updated all on the progress with the fell race, she has been speaking to landowners with regards permission to use their land. We need to decide by the end of October if we want to go ahead. The Fell Running Association (FRA) will advertise the race and cover the insurance. LR/JT have also spoken to Mr Garfield (LMS Teacher) as he is a keen runner. If the race is below 10km, 16-year-olds can take part.	JT
PTFA Support	JS will send out an email to advertise for someone to take the role of Chair or part-time Chair and to help with social media and marketing	JS
Any other business	We discussed setting up a WhatsApp community group, using a school mobile phone and for the PTFA members to be the administrators with distinct groups for various events. JS to find out if school would be happy for a PTFA Instagram account to be set up.	JT/JS JS
Next meeting	Next meeting is on Wednesday 21 st October 2026 at 6pm	All