

PTFA Minutes of Meeting 27th April 2017

Present

Lauren Campbell Janet Thompson Vicki Barber Catasha Fowler Sam Campion-Gibson Shaun Fallon (Sensory Guru Ltd)

Welcome

• Sam welcomed Shaun from Sensory Guru Ltd

Magic Carpet

- Shaun demonstrated the "Magic Carpet" which is an Interactive Projection System which is portable
- The Magic Carpet projects interactive apps that users can engage with simply by moving on or over the projected images
- The device uses the following:
 - Plug and Play
 - Tracks Motion
 - Responds to Movement
 - Provides Immediate Feedback
 - Simple Cause & Effect
 - Any Device Control can be used
- Up to 500 apps are available to use
- IPads can be used to control the device
- The projection can be used on an umbrella or pop up tent
- The full price of the device is £8000 plus £495 installation fee; there is a 3-4 weeks turn around for the ordering of the device. All training is included in the price of the device
- Association members were impressed with the device and could see how it could enhance learning for our pupils
- Discussion took place regarding how we could fundraise for the Magic Carpet
- Association members thanked Shaun for the demonstration

Fundraising

- A local company, BYK Additives, has donated the amount needed for the second swing that the PTFA were fundraising for
- It was agreed that the PTFA will now fundraise for the Magic Carpet instead
- Several ideas were discussed regarding fundraising such as a sponsored walk with parents and staff – possibly in and around Snowdonia. Discussion took place regarding a "Fund me" page and how we could set this up
- Discussion took place regarding a fundraising event in June. Parents felt that the bingo nights are very popular and at this point of the year it would be too short notice to arrange a race night this event could take place next academic year

- Vicki stated that Moorfield Social Club was available on 9th, 16th and 30th June. It was agreed that Friday 30th June would be the best date. Moorfield also require a deposit of £100 that is refunded after the event. Association members agreed that a summer bingo event at the Moorfield Social Club could prove to be successful as, if we held the event on a Friday, it would be more of a social event for parents
- Catasha offered to book the club; Sam will speak to Wendy regarding how we pay the deposit
- Sam will make leaflets that will be handed out to local residents as well as the school community
- The doors will open at 7pm ready for "Eyes down" at 7.30pm. The room would be available until 12am
- Discussion took place regarding the events on the night including the selling of cakes, a raffle and background music or a disco

Charity Status

• Vicki stated that we could look into holding smaller charity status. We will look into this further and gain more information

PTFA Accounts

• Currently the PTFA bank balance is £2,200

Date of next meeting

• The next meeting will take place on Thursday 25th May at 9.15am

Sam thanked everyone for their continued support and for attending the meeting.