

Minutes of P.A. Meeting at Mulhussey on 10th October '23

Attendees: Maria Butterly, Malachy Ryan, Deborah Maguire, Jen Gill, Laura Norton, Sanda O'Sullivan, Josephine McDonnell, Michelle Hannifen

Following on from the Annual General Meeting on 28th September 2023, we kicked off the year by discussing an outline of our aims and planned activities for the coming school year, with a particular focus on the Spooky Walk (planned for 24th October 2023).

Key Areas of Discussion:

- Spooky Walk
- Clothes Collections
- Christmas Carol Service and celebration
- Classic Car and Tractor Run
- Summer Fun Day
- Road Safety around the School
- Parent involvement

Spooky Walk

The Spooky walk will take place on 24th October 2023.

Planned Activities: Colouring competition, Carve/Paint a Pumpkin, Fortune telling, Ring Toss, Pinata Smash, What's in the Cauldron? Zombie Dance-off, Monster Mash, Coconut Bowling, Guess the Pumpkin weight etc.

Actions:

- 101 Party bags required for event.
- Prizes for competitions (non sugary prizes such as pens/sketch book)- Michelle
- Sponsorship cards/flyer – Ellen

- Due to mess in the parking area, there won't be toilet rolls purchased for Zombie competition
- Instead of chocolate apples we may do chocolate dipped marshmallows instead as there was a lot of waste from this activity last year. A chocolate fondue maker is available to use for the activity.
- Help required for setting up and running activities.

Clothes collections:

17/11/23 & 15/3/24

- Flyers needed for distribution
- Can i-donate be used?

Christmas Carol Service and Celebration

14th December 2023 at 1900

- Decorations and lights to be prepared the weekend before
- There will be a raffle, tea, coffee and cakes
- Local businesses will be approached for raffle prizes

Classic Car/Tractor Run

- Proposed date- 14th or 21st April 2024

Summer Sports and Fun Day

- Proposed date for Fun Day- 8th or 9th of June 2024. Due to the time needed for clean up after the event, it was suggested that it may be better to hold the event on Saturday, as opposed to Sunday. This would allow the clean up to take place on Sunday instead of immediately after the event, when everyone is tired. Cons of doing it this way would be a possible drop in the number of people who would attend due to them having other commitments, such as sports events etc, which often take place on a Saturday. It was decided that this would be put to the parents in the form of a poll sometime after Christmas.

Any Other Business:

Road Safety Measures around the School

- The issue of Road Safety Measures was once again highlighted and shortly after the meeting we received verbal confirmation that approval for the lights to be put in on the school road have been sanctioned and sent to the ESB.
- The MPA Committee will continue to follow up to get a timeline on this.
- The issue of lighting inside the school grounds was raised at the meeting as it is extremely dark in the evenings.

Next PA Meeting-28th November 2023