

Tilston School Association



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TSA – Minutes 3rd March 2025

- Absences and apologies – Lucy Mills, Poppy, Donna, Sinead, Katie, Emily
- Attendees – Caz, Charlotte, Kelly, Sarah, Helen, & Lucy A

Minutes are below but please look for elements in **bold** as these are the particular elements that we either didn't decide on or where we need to know actions/volunteers etc. I will also create a date chart for events so we have an easy ref doc.

Chairs update – Book day went well, t-shirts are v well received. Big breakfast was a great success, thanks to Iceland. Easter bingo was a great success but we were caught out by how many people came. Doing it the week before the end of term was a big success. Too many games – go to 4 rather than 6. Can get books for 3 and an Irish round of bingo. Get a little egg for everyone. Send out an explanation that we know it overran, learnings from last time. Do the raffle straight after the refreshment break. Toilets were an issue – do we need to arrange for the toilets to be rodded at the end of each school year. Gaz has been volunteered to rod the drains. Possible bonfire bingo to be discussed. 6 eggs left over were donated to the vicar for café church.

Garden project is up and running, school is now running a gardening club – 17 starting tomorrow. Julie Cummings and Julie Herne have dug out the beds. Bought terracotta pots for kids to take stuff home. Tree has been coppiced so that provides an area for redevelopment. Dandy's will donate for us as well. There will be approx. £300 coming back in, John Hughes will donate £50.00. A greenhouse or polytunnel

would be a great addition to the gardening club. Any available corporate funding for the gardening club. Replacement benches have been donated and are coming. Sarah will talk to Barlows re an outside tap. Look at designing some kind of reflection space around the pod.

Simon Gerrards Bike Ride – need to resend the link, possibly send it round in the year group whatsapp groups. The money raised needs to go back into sport/outdoor activities.

Financial Update – The current balance is £6114.00, buffer is set at £3000.00. With the sign and Camp Curiosity and the sign we would be left for £1600.00 before the buffer. Propose to reduce the buffer to £1500.00.

Re the sign - Bottom plaque with Head teacher info. Charlotte to talk to Katy at Sign of the Times in Whitchurch for a quote.

Camp Curiosity – Gemma Davis, amazing knowledge, the children love her and experience. It will cost £2520.00pa, £840.00 per term. Add to a newsletter info about Camp Curiosity and why it is done, what the children get from it. Perhaps look at the option where parents can observe or get involved in a session so they can better understand it. This has been agreed by the TSA as a committed cost for 2025/2026 for the whole year.

Summer Fayre – raffle to be done at the fair, this is our big earner. We have a Michel Roux contact and they are being asked for any donations, cooking school in Le Manoir Aux Quat Saisons. Corporate donations. Date is confirmed for 6th June after Sports Day.

Cake competition to be done in the morning, slices of cake and a cup of tea/coffee as well as cold drinks at sports day. Keep it running throughout the sports day. Ask Jessica re 2nd hand uniform stall as well. Donna to lend us a pop up gazebo. £1.00 for a slice of cake and £1.00 for water, tea or coffee. £1.50 for cans - Charlotte to do a stock check on cans/fruit shoots. We will need 4 x 24 crates of coke, lemonade, diet coke & fanta. Donna to get them and store them. We do not need fruit shoots. **We need water – 2 x 24 all still. Caz to get water. Booze – lager: stella 6 x 24 we have 3 x bottles of prosecco so will need an additional 18 bottles. Rose – 6 bottles and 6 white. Can people please look for the best available deals. Need ½ pints and pint glasses and plastic wine glasses – look at best deals for bulk buying. Also need straws for cans – 100.** Food: BBQ – Kelly to ask Clare re Martin doing – this has been confirmed today 29.04.25. Iceland to provide food: burgers, sausages and something veggie – buns, cheese and sauces. Kelly to advise on numbers and Caz to order. Snugburys donating ice cream – little pots, £1.50. Caz to ask for 200 – they can be stored at school. Kelly to talk to Sam re pony rides. Year 6 stalls – w/c 19th May the afternoon 1:30 onwards Kelly, Lucy and Caz to attend school so the

Yr6's can present ideas and pitches. Winners will be allocated £10.00 challenge. They create the stall and we make the money from the stalls.

Teddy bear stall – Lucy Mills to run.

Cake Stall – Katy?? **If not do we have another volunteer?**

Bottle Tombola – Charlotte

We will make Thursday 22nd May – a non uniform day, with the donation of a bottle which will then be used for the bottle tombola. Donna & Gaz on the bar. **Calls to put out across whatsapp groups for raffle donations.** Identify businesses who might donate, Caz to co-ordinate.

Hair and make-up – Sarah and Kelly to speak to Emily Crompton, Abi, Sophie Murphy and Sarah Latham. Possible fun fair games.

Should we also run a disco – Mrs Mort to ask Terry Samuels at Carden Park and how much for an hour. Summer Fayre is over by 5:30.

We also need to know who is volunteering to help on the day – we need a lot of volunteers, is this one worth throwing out beyond the TSA??

Wish list from Mrs Mort – leavers service at Chester Cathedral, 9th July. Lindsay Kid from HM Legal in Chester will provide lunch. Quote for the coach to come through to TSA.

Leavers party Weds 16th July 4:30 -6:30 – Martin is happy to do the BBQ. TSA to provide food. Mrs Mort to email needs and numbers it is for 15 children and staff.

TSA – Tilston Bears, 35 ordered. £203.00 TSA will pay for them. Caz to present the bears at the leavers service Monday 21st July.

Muslim Services - Imran comes in and teaches Islam religion. Imran is available for a date in June and for £450.00 he will spend the day in school and teach classes. Key area for our development plan. Approved by the TSA.

£750.00 was agreed pa for SEND for diagnostic assessment. 2 children who would benefit from assessment 1 x year 5. £1000.00 for 2 assessments. GL assessment has already been done. Year 5 assessment to be done in summer term or September. TSA to approve the initial assessment for year 5 for £500 and review the 2nd request in the following meeting.

Can we look at any other needs for the summer fayre or sports day please. Lucy, Caz & Kelly to meet up one evening next week to finalise plans so please message them or the whatsapp group with ideas/thoughts

Support local community event – invite them to attend the school events, community hub, host event at school. Look at Kidsbank as a possible charity to support.

Next meeting for TSA will be Monday 2nd June 2025 at 2pm. Can people also think about grandparents who may want to get more involved in supporting the school either in the TSA or as volunteers.