

# Minutes for Friends of Lapal Meeting at Lapal on 11/9/23

## Summary of meeting

Mrs Turner spoke to Parents/Carers

- The history of Lapal PTFA was shared, including the formation of a Friends of Lapal group that followed
- Currently Lapal Primary School organise events and seek support from parents/carers
- We are very keen as a school to either work towards setting up a PTA or encouraging parents to be a part of an active member of a Friends of Lapal group
- The structure/constitution of a typical PTA was shared along with the variety of roles and responsibilities
- The types of support that a PTA could access was outlined including links with Hales Valley Trust
- We explored the possibility of working towards forming a working party to look into establishing a PTA, who would then report back to the larger group, or alternatively, we discussed that we might decide for the school to retain financial responsibility but formalise Friends of Lapal
- Funds raised would be used to enhance our curriculum and the allocation of these funds would be school led
- Ideas for fundraising ideas were shared and recorded, with a focus on low effort (in terms of time/workload commitments for Friends of Lapal members and leaders/teachers/admin staff) but high impact/profit
- The use of our school site for events would need to be considered as existing lettings are currently in place
- Safeguarding would be at the centre of all Friends of Lapal/PTA events

## The way forward

- After discussions between parents/carers and the school leadership team, a consensus was reached that this academic year we would look towards formalising Friends of Lapal, however in the future we may choose to work towards creating a PTA
- The following events were identified by the school leadership team as

## Dates for 2023/23 meetings

- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 5.15 – 6.15pm
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 5.15 – 6.15pm
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 5.15 – 6.15pm
- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 5.15 – 6.15pm
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April 5.15 – 6.15pm
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 5.15 – 6.15pm