



**Minutes for Charity Association on  
Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 9.30 am**

**Present:**

Alisha Thomas  
Alicia Hall (via Teams)  
Katharine Hubbard (Chair)  
Kay Partridge  
Shelley Allen

**Apologies**

Helen Avraam  
Kelly Roberts

**Minutes/actions from last meeting**

There were no outstanding actions from the last meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Shelley advised the upcoming dates are as follows: -

**17<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – Comic Relief.** It has been decided to wear something red and hold a cake sale as pupils will enjoy making cakes. Ask for a donation of cakes and hold a cake sale. Kate suggested doing a pop in for coffee and a cake on the day. Proceeds from cake sale will go to Comic Relief

**21<sup>st</sup> March 2023 – Down Syndrome Awareness Day.** Shelley has ordered biscuits from Cheshire Down Syndrome Association. Ordered 60 biscuits. They are £1 each. The theme for the day will be “odd socks” for Down Syndrome Awareness Day to represent the chromosome for Down Syndrome. Proceeds will go to the Down Syndrome Association.

Shelley advised she is making progress with the “Dee Banks Race for Life”. Shelley has been in touch with PSCO but not heard back so she will get back in touch.

Shelley has contacted Phoenix Basketball Team. They may be able to send a couple of people to the event. Hannah Cockcroft will hopefully attend if not training. If she can attend, she will do route with PMLD. Shelley asked to let her know if anyone has any other ideas for the Dee Banks Race for Life. Kate suggested asking the Mayor of Chester. Proceeds from Dee Banks Race for Life will go Dee Banks Charity Association.

**Dee Banks Charity Association**

*Registered Charity Number: 516733*

c/o Dee Banks School, Sandy Lane, Chester, CH3 5UX

**Trustees:** Mrs Judith McGuinness, Mrs Katharine Hubbard and Miss Kelly Roberts

Kate mentioned last time they had a DJ, a balloon arch at front of school and someone giving out medals and Michelle did a warm-up beforehand. Alicia suggested she could do a glitter splash on faces.

**2<sup>nd</sup> April 2023 – Autism Awareness Day.** Shelley advised not in school on this day so will move event forward and celebrate with an own clothes day. Alicia said if children wanted, they could wear own clothes, rainbow coloured clothes or bright clothing.

**Liquid Vibrations** - <https://www.liquidlistening.org/>

Kate wanted to let everyone know the school had received a very generous donation of £1,000 from Gerald, Alisha and Stephen Thomas' neighbour. Shelley advised the pupils have made a card to send to Gerald.

Kate wanted to let everyone know that Janet is looking to do Liquid Vibrations which is light and sound under the water in the swimming pool. The children will lie in pool and sounds will help them to relax. Jools Holland is a Patron of the Charity. The cost is £8000 – this cost includes training staff and all equipment. Although it is a lot of money Liquid Vibrations have done fundraising so Kate said not to be put off by the cost as we are a Charity they will contribute. Kate asked the meeting if they would be in agreement to contributing the £1,000 donation from Gerald towards Liquid Vibrations. The people in the meeting agreed.

#### **Any other business**

Alisha advised we should receive other donation soon as it has now gone through Solicitors. Kate said we will need to get bikes ordered with this donation.

#### **Date of the next meeting**

The next meeting will be AGM so will try and find a date that is suitable for everyone.