## ST. VINCENT'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

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# ST.VINCENT'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION MINUTES 05.05.21 (online)

Attendees - Co-chair plus 20 parents Miss Coleman & Miss Carruthers

Start of meeting: 12.05

Introduction Welcome and thank you for attendance. Update on SVPA 2021 Auction meeting

SVPA team very happy to confirm that there will be an auction this year and that Fiona Redovalwater (Y1/Y3) has also accepted to lead the auction team.

- Please Save the date Friday July 2nd
- Online Auction (except if parents are allowed to get access to the school by the time tbc)
- o Scaled-down Auction vs previous year.

A few guidelines have been discussed regarding this 2021 Auction.

- No pressure on any one, especially local businesses Context has been difficult for everyone, we might cautiously contact a business if we hold a good relationship in a very soft manner.
- o No Auction Catalogue No advertising but we will have an auction list of donations
- No Auction lot can be linked to School Access Restrictions regarding school are still too uncertain to plan anything in this regard at this stage
- Auction 2021 will mainly rely on parents' involvement (if they can). This is really where we want to focus and strength the importance of getting involved. From a simple donation (a bottle of wine, a home baked cake) to a more complex lot relying on a specific talent, we feel there is a large variety of ways to bring something to our auction list. We especially would like to include our new parents to the event as there were not many occasions to get in touch.

We have brainstormed a series of ideas that could help parents to figure out what they can propose (on top of our usual personal donations). Please find a few examples by topic. Any other ideas would be great and can be discussed with us (directly/through your class rep/ by email....)

#### Food/drinks

- · Host a candlelight dinner at your home
- Chinese meal for x pax / Chinese takeaway meal
- Dinner / Speciality kit finish at home
- Bake a cake
- · Bring a nice bottle of wine/alcohol
- Create an "Experience hamper" for a picnic/high tea/cocktail party...

#### **Beauty/Fashion**

- · Labelled Brand new item of clothes
- At home Nail service
- Memorabilia items
- Host a specific workshop or class (home/online)

#### Craft

- Flowers
- Sewing / knitting/weaving

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Macramé

### **Birthday Party/Entertainment**

- Offer a birthday party service (magic, cake, deco)
- Birthday party styling
- Waffle birthday party
- Adult cocktail service party
- · Older alumni siblings offering a class / party entertainment help

#### **Culture/Sport/Experience**

- Holiday/ week-end let
- Visit to a special place
- · Special guided visit / walk /tour
- Signed book donations
- Coaching session
- · Take me to climbing/golfing
- Offer to lead beginner running club session
- Swimming pass
- Club guest free pass
- One event of your seasonal tickets
- Access to a private garden for one afternoon
- · Access to a private club
- Access to a private golf
- Taxi service for...
- Babysitting service (including pet)

#### How you can help?

- Brainstorm on what you could offer to our school community.
- Contact us on auction@svpa.org.uk if you have any questions regarding what you can offer.
- Fill the Auction Donation form you will receive soon (don't wait last minute as it makes organisation trickier)
- Join us on our next zoom SVPA meeting Wednesday 9th June.

#### **Other Business**

- Online safety workshop May 19th
- Uniform sales to plan just after half-term if possible
- Remaining places to join Louise online fitness class Thursday May 6th / May 13th.

End of meeting: 12.30

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