

## PTFA Meetings

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2010, 7.30pm

Present - Jayne Barnaby (Chair), Georgia Roberts and Kasia Cunnington.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2010, 9.00am.

Present - Jayne Barnaby (Chair), Sarah Patton, Jay Charles, John Miller and Kathrin Garment.

Apologies – Leanne Oxley, Sharon Bide.

### Past events:

#### Easter Fair

At first, the success of the Easter Fair was reviewed. The general view was very good and no major complaints have been made. One comment was that it was one of the best PTFA events the school has done!!!!

With an overall profit of £527.00 the Easter Fair was very successful! The most profitable stalls were the Tombola and Cake stall.

Jay did mention though, that some parents have commented on the lack of fresh food (e.g. fresh fruit), which would be in accordance with the “Healthy School” status. It has hence been proposed, that next year the PTFA should sell some apples, oranges and bananas. The idea of a “chocolate fountain” was liked by all!

Each Class was given a specific stall to organise at the Easter Fair. It has been put forward by parents helping out at the Easter Fair, that helpers should be able to choose their own stall or which stall they would like to run. In the discussion of the people present at the meeting, it was felt, that giving everyone a choice, might prove difficult to please everyone and organise. It was suggested, to ask the class representatives only. This will be done, by giving each class representative a list of stalls and activities and then to tick the chosen stall and activity they would like to be involved in. Should more than one class choose the same stall/activity, it will then be left to the PTFA committee to allocate the stall/activity to the class year.

It was suggested that it would have been nice for The Journal to be present, especially with the Easter Bonnet Competition.

### Hanging Baskets

There was a poor uptake of the ordering of plants and hanging baskets. It is hoped that through different advertising next time will prove to more profitable. Saying that though, the PTFA did make a profit of £28. It has been suggested that the communication could have been better as it was only done via the e-mail service. Many parents might need reminders through leaflets.

### Coming event:

- Sports Day, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

It has been established that there will be a window of an hour (12pm til 1pm), in which the PTFA will be able to provide refreshments and entertainment on that day.

The following stalls and activities have been suggested:

- Cake stall (ask for donations nearer the time)

- Lucky dip (very popular with the children)
- 2nd Hand uniform stall (it was mentioned to sell other children clothes, but it was felt, that it might complicate things too much)
- 2nd Hand toy stall (we will have to collect toys at least a week in advance, so someone can check the suitability and safety of the toys). Jay has offered to help. It also has been suggested that we could run the stall as a raffle or tomobola stall, in which case toys would have to be divided in KS1 and KS2.
- Wine or Water stall
- Penalty Shoot Out (year 6 might be interested in running this)
  - Ladder and Bean Bag game (suggested by Sarah Patton)
  - Netball goal shooting activity.
  - Books – organised by Fina McLoughlin
  - Jewellery – same Lady from Easter Fair will be asked
  - Cards – same as Easter Fair will be asked
  - Usborne Books – Clarinda will be asked if she is interested
  - Raffle – donation have to be organised nearer the time
- BBQ. In previous years the school would organise a BBQ. Mr and Mrs Swimborne have organised this and it was suggested that we contact them to see if they would be interested in helping out again this year. Also Mr and Mrs Raffety had been involved in this event, and should be approached to ask for their help. Kathrin will speak to them. We will need to find out if there is a BBQ at school or, if there is anyone willing to provide one.
- School does not own any gazeboes, so we will need to ask parents if we could borrow any.
- As in previous years, it was seen as a good idea to provide some reward for the children after their races. As there is no longer a freezer available in school Ice-lollies will not be possible. Alison McCann has connections to a chocolate provider. Jayne will contact her.
- Sarah, Jay, Jayne and Kathrin have come forward to organise this event and will hold a further meeting on the 13th of May at 9am at school. Other PTFA members, who have not been present at either recent meetings will be contacted by Jayne and will be given the opportunity to join the next meeting. This was felt to be necessary because of the low turnout for the meetings. It was mentioned that maybe communication regarding meetings isn't getting through to the relevant people.

### Further Suggestions:

- Family event: The Beetle Drive Game has been suggested as a non-profit making event for parents, teachers and children of all ages.
- Car Boot Sale. Further discussions with Mrs Heaver have revealed, that such an event will need very good planning skills. It will involve many helpers on the day as well as the need of police involvement. It also has been questioned where people, visiting the car boot, will park.
- Year 6 Leaver' present. In a past meeting it had been mentioned to organise a printed T-Shirt for every Year 6 pupil. John offered to take a photograph of the Year 6's to be put onto T-Shirts. Jay was going to price up the total cost for the T-Shirts. On further discussion with Janice it appears that the T-Shirts

have been sorted and ordered by Mrs Carter. The Bibles have already been bought.

- Fun Run. Mrs Heaver suggested organising a Fun Run as they can be very profitable. This is though, an event that will have to be planned a year in advanced and needs to be well researched.
- Georgia suggested that it might be a nice idea to arrange an event where the Parents can see what the PTFA is funding. She suggested an End of Term Party.
- Family Day, 15th May. Mrs Heaver asked the PTFA to provide refreshments and cakes on this day. If there is anyone who can spare some of their precious time on the day to help with the refreshments it would be most appreciated. Just half an hour of your time would be a big help. If you can help, please contact Jayne Barnaby 07989 719582. Thank you.

End of Meeting!!