

## PTFA Meeting Minutes – Thursday 15 Jan 2009

**Present:** Alison Barnes, Alan & Suzanne Stenhouse, Caron Evans, Alison Boyle, Hayley Farrell, Sharon Stembridge, Samantha White, Damian Marsh, Helen Walker.

**Apologies:** Samantha Kay, Sandy Harvey, Cathryn Walmsley, Nick Salter, Sarah Heib.

### 1. Welcome and chairpersons report

Alison welcomed everyone to this first meeting of 2009. Alison had finance details from Cathryn on the Mince Pie Munch – raised £267. A big thank you to the staff for manning the event.

The decision not to hold a Xmas disco was discussed – PTFA have received mixed feedback. Some were pleased with no disco and others felt the children had missed out.

Query by members at the meeting – what is the current bank balance? Cathryn please can you give us a total for the next meeting.

Sharon suggested the PTFA purchasing a PA system for use in church. Other ideas discussed were floodlights and CCTV. However it was felt that CCTV should be education dept funded if there was a need for it, not PTFA.

PTFA funds have recently bought 2 I/A whiteboards, books and hand held digi- cameras.

### 2. Headteachers report.

- **Canopy** - Damian reported that the canopy, that is to be built between the reception and SOCKs buildings, has now been granted planning permission. Construction can now commence.
- **Balloon Launch** – raised £448.50. No balloons have come back yet – direction of travel is greatly influenced by the weather. At the moment, PTFA to award prize to the child who sold the most – Bradley Farrell.
- **Plant sale** – The usual company have sent letter, outlining pack size changes for plants this year. Damian to look into whether it is viable or whether we consider using a different nursery.
- **Speedmark challenge** – Damian told the meeting about this goal challenge – uses and inflatable goal and each child has 3 penalties. Prizes are awarded depending on how much sponsorship money each child raises. The Speedmark company take half the money raised – so we aren't taking this forward at the moment.

### 3. Forthcoming events

- **Valentine disco** – Thurs 12 Feb 2009. Infant 2-3 pm and juniors 3.20 – 5pm. Alison to organise DJ, and Sam White to send out letter. All costs same as last year.
- **Easter Egg Bingo** – Fri 27 March 2009 – Dianne is still OK to get egg prizes, but can't get bingo machine (If anyone knows where we can borrow a bingo machine from please can they speak to Alison - thank you)
- **Dinner Dance** – provisional date Sat 9 May 2009 at Old Mill. Theme – masquerade ball. (Update 20/1/09 – Old Mill not available – Alison looking into Red Hall) If you have any suggestions please contact a member of the subcommittee – Alison Barnes, Suzanne, Alan and Caron. Subcommittee to meet on Jan 27<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm at Caron's house.
- **Circus** – 16 May 2009 – Dianne is going to get hold of letter template for Sam White to use – thank you.
- **Summer Fair** – date agreed Fri 26 June 2009
- **Summer disco** – date agreed Fri 10 July 2009
- **Adult and child clothes events** – Alison to co-ordinate the booking of both of these events.

#### 4.Any other business

- **Ladies night 2008** – raised £146. Enjoyed by those who attended (22 people) but a disappointing night. Next year the evening needs to be planned better, and a date chosen nearer Christmas.
- **Secretary role** – Sam told the meeting that she and Sandy plan to hand over the Secretary role at the June AGM. A big thanks to Helen and Debbie for help with photocopying and letter distribution. If anyone is interested in taking over the role please speak to Sam.
- **Fun – mats final figure** – Sam's record's from processing the order show a profit of £558.50. Sam has asked Cathryn confirm the figure before details are put in school newsletter.
- **Xmas ideas** – ideas discussed for Xmas 2009 fundraiser – Christmas cards (– Sam to look into and bring info to next meeting), calendar, CD. Any other ideas please – we would like to have decided this by July 2009 to ease the workload next Christmas. Sam to ask Cathryn for historical data on the last school CD.
- **Mince Pie Munch 2008** feedback – really positive feedback – much better evening this year, better seating and planning. Anyone who wanted tickets was able to come to the event.
- **Sponsorship event** – Nick has agreed to organise this event. Need to agree date that fits in with other school events such as Sports Day. Nick will discuss details at next meeting.
- **Wake and Shake** – meeting received a request to ensure that wake and shake always starts promptly at 8.45 am.
- **Future meeting dates:**
  - Mon 9 Feb 2009
  - Tues 10 Mar 2009
  - Wed 22 April 2009
  - Thurs 14 May 2009.All meetings to start at 7:30 pm

Next meeting date 7:30pm Mon 9 Feb 2009

Meeting closed at 9pm