

Greatfield Parents' Association

Tuesday 11th May, 7.45 pm

Present: Mrs Thomas, Hilda Lloyd, Bev Ryder-Jones, Steve Shepherd, Anna Beames, Clive Bennett, Jenny Jewett, Jane Bradley, Sam Fisher

Apologies: Dan and Alison Hunt, Mel and Piers Shorthouse, Michelle Bennett

Chair's Update

Sponsored Bounce money still dripping in – 88 people have returned their money, raising an amazing £861.

Bike provision has been discussed with Mrs Thomas and the school will now fund more traditional bike stands as the “pod” system we looked at is just too expensive. More information to follow from school in due course.

Sam has purchased cookery equipment for the school, total £160 spent. Mrs Moseley was very pleased as it will help provide cookery sessions for all the school to enjoy. It was agreed we would also provide cookery aprons – Sam to arrange.

Another newsletter will be issued just before the half term break, dedicated to the Fete. On this subject, much was discussed, including a request from some parents for a return of the second hand uniform stall. It was suggested that the Fete might not be the best place to hold this stall and instead, perhaps a “school uniform shop” could be opened once a term in school for parents to purchase at leisure new or donated uniform. Members of the GPA would be happy to run this and Mrs Thomas would be happy to provide a room for us to use – watch this space.

Treasurer's Update

Current Account £4218.20
Deposit Account £1930.70

No response from either Lloyds or HSBC regarding sponsorship.

Hungry Elephant account closed and commission of £20.80 received.

Fete

Mrs Thomas has confirmed performances the pupils will provide, Mrs Hastie will require an arena on the field for her dance team. Chi Wai school will also provide a Kung Fu display and Southside Football Club are going to provide some sort of football based activity – to support our “World Cup” theme this year.

Bev has in hand the Fete Flyer (asap) and the Balloon Release flyer (24/5). Anna is dealing with distribution of raffle tickets(7/6). Sam is arranging the "pots" from McDonalds for distribution for our "mystery pot" stall (27/5).

As is customary, a free dress day will be held on the Friday before the Fete (25th June) in exchange for a tombola prize or cake donation.

Donations of books, cakes and plants gratefully accepted. Thanks to Gordon Williams and Clive Bennett for sourcing some plants.

Mr Humphries has kindly agreed to provide us with strawberries – Anna to liase with him nearer the time and also with Clive Austen regarding ice cream.

We do have a helicopter agreed but as yet, no pilot allocated – this isn't agreed until 10 days before the event so unfortunately, we'll have to wait and see what happens – fingers crossed!

Mr Jewett has kindly arranged sponsorship for Bev for the Balloon Release – this will cover the cost of the helium and also the cash prize.

Gloucestershire Recycling Roadshow have agreed to attend and this will also provide something new and different.

Steve to liase with Mel over production of the Programme.

We are going to hold a "create your own garden" competition this year, another suggestion was a bike parade – this is an idea for next year maybe?

Several parents have already taken ownership of stalls which is great – more support would be appreciated though!!

AOB

Mrs Smith is looking at netball kits for the school team

Ladies Night booked 12th November

School Discos booked 3rd December

New Parents Evening 8th June – Anna and Jane to provide refreshments and GPA to have a display board showing ourselves off, what we're about and how to join us!!!

Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 9th June, 7.45 pm