

MINUTES OF GPA MEETING

HELD AT 7.45 PM ON WEDNESDAY 9TH JUNE 2010

PRESENT: Steve Shepherd, Bev Ryder-Jones, Anna Beames, Alison Hunt, Andy Holmes
Mrs Thomas, Sam Fisher, Melanie & Piers Shorthouse, Jane Bradley, Jenny
Jennett, Clive Bennett, Hilda Lloyd

APOLOGIES: Sarah Scammell

CHAIR'S UPDATE

Bags to school – 18th June is the date fixed that full bags need to be returned to school.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Alison Hunt gave a statement of the GPA current account and also explained that a cheque payment for £140 had been received from the last Bags 2 School clothing collection. There was also a small commission cheque from Yellow Moon, and Alison would re-register with the company to ensure we continue to receive the commission payments in future.

REQUESTS FOR EXPENDITURE

Mrs Thomas requested GPA contributions towards outdoor play equipment to be more challenging and adventurous for Junior school pupils. Mrs Thomas will investigate costs and various pieces of equipment available and revert at next Meeting. A previous request for funding is now to be provided by the school and as a result of a recent school survey undertaken, bike racks have been ordered (20) and they should imminently be delivered to school. School netball kit is also to be provided, following Mrs Smith's request.

SUMMER FETE 27th JUNE 2010

There was detailed discussion of stalls and events, and a brief overview follows.

With an overall World Cup theme, it is anticipated that each stall will have a different country theme and the children can draw the flags for the relevant country. There will be a quiz incorporated into the programme of events, that all can enter, relating to the world cup and countries theme.

Some of the prizes available in the raffle will be bundled up into hampers and games packages to promote the event on the day. Raffle tickets will also be available on the day, as well as those previously distributed. The draw will take place at 3.30 pm on the afternoon of the Fete.

There was an opportunity to have a Mr Whippy machine available, at a cost of £185 for the equipment, and this was believed to be a good idea and was agreed. Clive Austin will supply and organise.

Strawberries and cream and Pimms will also be available. Bev and Sam purchasing Pimms. Sarah Scammell will run the strawberries & cream stall. Cream will be purchased by Sam from Morrisons, together with clotted cream if necessary. It was agreed that some items could be purchased on the morning of the Fete dependent on weather conditions, etc.

Bar – Sam has purchased cans of beer, etc, and will organise soft drinks. Pots for strawberries and cups to be organised by Sam/Bev. Ice for drinks to be purchased in advance and stored in Kidz R Uz freezer.

Andy Holmes will be responsible for organising the BBQ and purchasing of the food.

Clive Bennett has asked Dundry's Nursery whether they would be prepared to donate some plants for the Fete and they have kindly agreed. Clive will organise.

Mystery pots fliers to be organised by Sam. Bev has organised pots and Year 6 pupils will help to fill them with slips explaining what should be put into the pots, prior to them being distributed for filling by parents/carers.

The presence of a Fire Engine will be organised by Bev, if possible.

The School Council will be hosting a stall with creative gifts available.

The Balloon Release will take place at 3.45 pm – 4 pm. Bev will coordinate with Steve Bateman and Tug regarding inflation of balloons and storage, etc.

In order to promote the Miniature Garden competition, Mrs Thomas suggested it may be possible do have a basic demonstration in assembly of what was expected.

Clive Bennett explained that a helicopter may still be available for the day but that this cannot be confirmed until 10 days prior to the event. As soon as Clive has confirmation, he will inform Mrs Thomas so that they can discuss where it should land and also to check the necessary insurance cover is in place.

Anna will purchase a paddling pool for the "hook a duck" game.

Gloucestershire Recycling have agreed to be present at the Fete and will bring their own tent to set up a stall and will be doing it on a 'compost' theme.

A final Fete reminder will be created and sent out on Friday, 18th June.

In the event of bad weather, the contingency plan would swing into action where performances would take place in the hall and stalls can then be set up in classrooms.

Alison will arrange floats for the stalls on the day.

Additional setting up and organising will take place on Saturday afternoon, prior to Sunday's Fete.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were no items raised.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 14th July