

ARNSIDE NATIONAL SCHOOL – PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 30th April 2014 at 7.00pm

Present: Sara Owen, Nick Sharp, Karen Morris, Paul McLaughlin, Heather Atkin, Jill Sweetman, Kevin Goddard, Vicky Emsley, Catherine Crossman, Fleur McCarten

Apologies: Julia Adair, Julia Walker, Kate Lenton, Lyn Gould, Karen Pringle, Julie Pierce Jones, Julia Sier, Louise Oakley, Ariadne Domingo Garcia, Rebecca Ladell

(64) Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5th February 2014, be received.

(65) Matters Arising

PA system

Paul reported that prices for a new PA system varied around the £1-2,000 mark depending upon requirements. Mr Cook has kindly donated a PA system for the school to use for now. To be reviewed again after it has been used.

Minute's secretary

A minute's secretary is still needed. As an officer role it is a constitutional requirement and needs to be fulfilled.

Book club

Jill is still looking into alternative clubs.

Year 6 Yearbook

Positive feedback from committee and to be part funded by the PTA. Cost per book is £5.70 minimum, depending upon number of pages. No minimum order.

Second hand clothes

Not done with cake stall so to be offered at Spring Fair.

(66) Treasurers Report

To follow.

Non-Fundraising Issues

(67) Minutes Secretary position

Yet to be elected.

(68) Arnies Update

New Play Leader in post and paperwork in place. Recent OFSTED monitoring visit has taken place establishing setting is now ready for re-inspection.

Future events and fundraising

(69) Benyounes concert/music day

Event has been arranged for Wednesday 25th June, music day in the school with concert in the evening at the W.I. Adult prices increased to £10 instead of £8 and £5 for children. 27 tickets already sold and are available from The Little Shop and Paul. Capacity 140-150 so hopefully event will go well. Publicity underway and Paul is to invoice for costs – was £300 last year – to rise to £550 this year. Refreshments are to

be provided by Londis at sale or return. Event will need volunteers to help out. Paul to organise

Action: Paul McLaughlin

(70) Arnside Fun Day

Sunday 13th July will be Arnside Fun Day and the PTA was asked if they would like 1-2 stalls again. Vicky suggested a nearly new toy stall – no electrical goods and face-painting/tattoos/biscuit decorating was put forward. Vicky is to put together a flyer requesting donations and Catherine is to enquire if some of the children would run the craft/art stall. Sara to let Fun Day committee know the PTA would like to attend.

Action: Vicky Elmsley, Catherine Crossman, Sara Owen

(71) Arnside Vintage Day

To be held on Saturday 21st June, it was thought that the school would not join in this year due to logistics.

(72) Sports Day

Tuesday 24th June is Sports Day and would require volunteers to help with refreshments: - juice, ice-lollies. Dallam students are to help with the event, Nick to double-check. The rota system worked well last year. A volunteer form is to be posted on the notice board for volunteers.

Action: Nick Sharp, Jill Sweetman

(73) End of term fun

The end of term event is to take place on the 17th July in the afternoon, refreshments of juice and biscuits for the children and tea and coffee for the adults. Sara is to ask Nicola Smith regarding biscuits. Volunteers required.

Action: Sara Owen

(74) East to name tags

Leanne Sharp has signed the school up to Easy to Name tags where the PTA will receive 20% cashback on all orders received. Free to sign up, it was suggested that the best place to advertise was to new parents with leaflets available in school to other parents. Sara asked Leanne to organise.

Action: Leanne Sharp

(75) Spring Fair

The Spring Fair is to take place on Saturday 17th May; 10-12pm. Sara suggested a different theme for this year as not as many plants sell. To call it "Spring Fair".
Format: Year 5 games, Craft stall by Claire, Cake stall (donations required), Refreshments, Stalls: The Little Shop, Natural Hair & Beauty, Carr Bank Garden Centre, Ann Elliott (chutneys), RSPB, AONB, mini beasts, plants etc., Sara is to sort out a bouncy castle as Birkett's Bouncers supply them for £50 (or 2 for £75), £10 charge to be levied for stall holders and donations for a raffle along with parents. Vicky to find out about mini beasts and invite stall holders, Julie Peirce-Jones will let

Pam know regarding plants, Sara will arrange bouncy castle. Requests for cakes and raffle prizes to be sent out. Volunteers required.

Action: Jackie Piper, Vicky Elmsley, Julie Peirce-Jones, Sara Owen

Other business

(76) Nick and Karen asked if we could spend this year's money on remarking the playground. The costs have been looked into and it is thought approximately £2-3,000 would be needed. Nick and Karen are to come back with more details at the next meeting.

Action: Nick Sharp, School Council

(77) Date and time of next meeting

Wednesday 2nd July, 3.30pm

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