

Balshaw's Association P.T.A. Meeting held on the 17th of April 2024.

Charity Number - 1176684

Present - Julia Monks, Steve Haycocks, Keith Woodcock, Steve Lomax, Tim Callaghan, Tracie Vass, Andrea Coles, Alice Derbyshire and Ann Brown.

Apologies - Lucy Lenton and Jamie McGregor.

Steve H opened the meeting with a prayer.

This is an extra Balshaw's Association Meeting to discuss Balfest preparations.

1. **Apologies** - Noted.
2. **Gazebos** - Julia discussed with the meeting hiring several Gazebos for the day, she has a contact at St. Catherine's Hospice who she will contact and check if they are available for the Association to borrow as this would be free of charge, members present at the meeting agreed with this idea.
3. **Football Tournament** - Julia asked Steve L, if he could arrange a tournament for the day, members present at the meeting suggested that this could attract students who are not musical, Steve replied that he would not be available on day but suggested talking with Jamie who could possibly arrange something for the day.
4. **Pizza** - Tim confirmed he has arranged the supply of Pizzas for the day.
5. **Signage** - Julia explained to the meeting that a new banner will be required to place on the school railings to advertise the day, Lily - Tracie's daughter has already offered to design a replacement, during the course of the meeting Lily sent her sample suggestion via What's App messaging, members thought the sample was excellent, further details to be included in the design will be decided before the next meeting.
6. **Flyers** – Members present at the meeting discussed if any Flyers advertising the event would be required, members were unable decide before the end of the meeting.

7. **Musical Entertainment** - Andrea explained to the meeting that Leanne Bache has advertised in school for any potential musical acts that are willing to perform on the day, the closing date for applicants is Friday the 19th of April, already a large number of acts have registered an interest.
8. **Stalls** - Contacting potential stall holders has only just started, Andrea stated that at the moment two stall holders have registered an interest in attending, Julia suggested that the list Alice kindly provided to Association members will need to be explored to potentially attract other stall holders.
9. **Raffle and Tombola Prizes** - Members present at the meeting discussed obtaining prizes for the day, Julia suggested to Steve H, holding a non-uniform day or trainer shoes only day could possibly solve the problem, Steve will check with the SLT team to arrange a suitable day.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday the 8th of May, starting at 7.30pm.