

**Balshaw's Association P.T. A. Meeting Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

**Charity Number 1176684**

**Present.** Leanne Bache, Tim Callaghan, Deborah Delaney, Jill Graham, Lucy Lenton, Jamie McGregor, Julia Monks, Keith Woodcock and Ann Brown.

**Apologies.** Nicki Crompton, Alice Derbyshire, Sharon Haworth, Steve Haycocks, Steve Lomax Jonathan Morgan, Sarah Payne, Michelle Riley, Ginny Woods and Tracie Vass.

**Welcome** - Julia opened the meeting by wishing everyone a Happy New Year.

- 1. Matters arising from the minutes** - None.
- 2. Christmas Bingo** - Members attending the meeting who had been to the Bingo Night, all agreed it was well received and enjoyed by all participants, but if another Bingo Night is arranged the starting time should be revised to early evening, because the evening is usually on a Thursday when it's school next day, and also putting the tables and equipment back takes at least half an hour.
- 3. Easier Bingo** - Julia discussed with the meeting if another Bingo Night should take place, or another event could be held instead, after discussing different ideas it was decided holding a Family Quiz Night would be a good idea this will take place on the 30.3.2023.
- 4. Race Night/Balfest** - Members discussed if the events being held so close together was a good idea, Leanne Bache kindly attended the meeting to discuss Balfest and the requirements needed from her Department and the format of the day, Leanne suggested the 15 of July would work well with other commitments she already has arranged for students. Julia contacted Steve H, by telephone and he confirmed the date would fit in with school events.
- 5. School Council** - During the course of discussions regarding school events Leanne suggested it would be beneficial if members of the Balshaws Association held meetings with herself and the School Council to discuss ideas with the students, members thought this was a good idea, the first meeting will be held on Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of February, please could anyone wishing to attend be at school for 8.30am, the meeting is scheduled to take place from 8.40 – 9.10am thank you.
- 6. Financial Report** – Steve L, provided the latest financial information, total made on Christmas Bingo Night was £356.40 and total in the bank is £18,311.75.
- 7. Winter Social Evening** - The evening has been postponed until February.
- 8. A.O.B.** - Jamie suggested to the meeting his thoughts regarding future events being held in the Autumn and Winter Term time, explaining he thought it would be beneficial to the Association if planning for these events was started earlier, members present agreed this was a good idea that should be implemented.

**Meeting closed at 8.48pm.**

**The next meeting will be held on Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of February 2023.**