



BUSBRIDGE JUNIOR SCHOOL FRIENDS MEETING

Held at BJS on Tuesday 25th April 2017`

Present

Jacqueline West, Carolyn Holmes, Fi Forshaw, Vic Hicks, Clare Parsons, Sil Brangold, Jenny Lansdowne, Lorraine Collins, Kimmy Ramelli, Emma Calderwood, Marelise Carpenter, Sharon Cockle, Alice Searle, Nicky Hemery, Kirsty Glaysher, Rachel Barker, Sophie Walker, Julie Wagerfield, Katie Abbott

Apologies

Lucy Smith, Jo Goodchild, Philippa Currie,

Friends Meeting part 1- Year 6 Leavers Party

Date confirmed for Thursday 20th July 2017 at Busbridge Junior School 6-8pm

It was confirmed that the Friends Association will provide a budget of £300 towards the Year 6 Leavers party to cover the disco etc

CH has discussed and agreed with the Y6 children a theme along the lines of "Stars and Stripes". An American theme of red, white and blue with stars/celebrities. Dress code is open and not necessarily linked to the theme.

The disco has been booked for the event. This will run from 7-8pm though timings may change due to bad weather.

Marelise Carpenter agreed to organise a photo booth style area where groups of children can have their photos taken using a range of props and dressing up clothes.

Catherine Taylor and Kirsty Glaysher will organise food for the BBQ (burgers, sausages and ice-cream). They will speak to Stephen King about sourcing food and the possibility of getting rolls free of charge from Waitrose. Children will be asked to pre-order food before the event to get accurate numbers.

Other suggestions included; glitter tattoos, coloured hairspray, wheels on the playground, memory trail, tug of war etc.

Vic Hicks kindly offered to organise the activities for the night. Jacqueline offered to oversee the decoration of the hall and chill out areas etc with assistance from Katie Abbott and the rest of the team. Invitations also need to be investigated and agreed.

Marelise and Katie Abbott agreed to organise the Year Books seen in previous years. These are wonderful keepsakes for the Year 6 children however they are expensive so it was agreed to run ice-cream Fridays, for the next four Fridays, to help raise funds towards the books.

Next meeting to discuss Year 6 Leavers will be Friday 9th June from 3-3.30pm in the Learning Lab.

Friends Meeting-part 2

Previous Friends Meeting

Minutes from the last meeting on Tuesday 31st January 2017 were approved.

Talents Fundraiser

It was agreed that the Talents fundraiser would run again this year as it's always an enjoyable event and raises a considerable amount of money. CH is going to discuss the event with the children in assembly and the school will provide the letters to take home, with the PTA providing the money for each child signed in for the Talents. This fundraiser is a voluntary event and will take place during the May half term holiday. Each child that wants to take part will be given £3. Emma Calderwood and Lorraine Collins will bag up the £3 for each child taking part.

On Friday 9th June there will be a Talents afternoon on the playground to give children the opportunity to sell and buy their wares or take part in Talents' activities. Prizes will be given to the class and individual who raises the most money and also to the most original fundraising idea.

BJS Quiz Night

It was agreed that due to the high volume of events already planned for this term that the Quiz Night should be left until the autumn term. For future reference, Mark Ward has expressed an interest in being Quiz Master for the school.

Spring Disco

The spring disco was a great success and raised approx. £600.00. Thanks were expressed to those involved in the smooth running of the event.

Pamper Evening Event

This event was a great success and the hall was transformed into a luxurious spa. Huge thanks were expressed to Tamsin Bowden and her team for all their massive efforts in running the evening which raised approximately £400.00 profit.

PTA shed

Huge thanks were expressed to JW for organising the installation of the new PTA shed. It still needs another coat of paint and the shelves needs to be cleaned before everything can be returned.

Phil the Bag

Sarah Millar has kindly agreed to continue organising the bag collections for the coming year.

Sports Day Refreshments

Sports day will be on Thursday 15th June 2017. CP, SC and EC will be in charge of providing refreshments for the day. CP to speak to Starbucks to see if they are able to provide the vats of coffee as they did last year.

Parents 80's Disco

This event will take place on Saturday 20th May 2017. Ticket sales are down at the moment, but everything is in hand for the event.

Summer BBQ

Date confirmed for Friday 23rd June 2017 6.00pm – 8.00pm

Stalls were allocated to different classes (please see attached document). RB to contact Bill Bingham and the church about whether they are happy to run stalls. FF will put the stalls list together and circulate to class reps.

Bottle mufti –Friday 16th June

Sweetie mufti-Tuesday 20th June

Label Planet

Nicky Hemery to investigate the opportunity to earn commission on name labels from this company.

New Parents' Evening- Wednesday 5th July 2017 at 7pm

The Friends agreed to provide refreshments for the evening. 5% commission on orders using our school fundraising number which is 3307.

New Officers for 2017/2018

Marelise Carpenter, current Treasurer has confirmed that she will be stepping down in July, in addition to Fi Forshaw the PTA's second secretary. The positions need to be promoted in the next newsletter and also bump up day on 5/7 to ensure the posts are filled before September and a seamless handover can be facilitated. Emma Calderwood has agreed to stand as PTA Chair and will be supported by Lorraine Collins as Vice Chair.

Next meeting

Next Friends Meeting will be on Tuesday 19th September 2017 at 7pm drinks for a 7.30pm start. This will be the AGM when new officers are elected.