



Aldryngton PTA

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Present

Sue Beasley
Graham Begg
Emma Dunn
Ian Head

Avril Kiff
Stephen Lea
Usha Mistry
Ruth Shelton

Elaine Stewart
Simon Windisch

Treasurer's Report

Stephen gave a brief review of accounts. Noted that bank interest was reduced due to falling interest rates. November cake sales were down. Usha said that these November sales just gone would be the last. Emma suggested that PTA use the proceeds to make purchases rather than the teacher, or better still an elected pupil from each class. It was agreed to give this idea a try next time.

Lotteries License

Graham noted that the new license had not yet been seen (it has subsequently arrived). Elaine is now the license holder.

Swimming Pool

Elaine noted that Andy the caretaker will not be available 25 July – 23/24 August, so we need cover. It was agreed that we need to find 10 – 15 people to take on maintenance duties, and these people would be encouraged to volunteer via reduced pool usage rates. Duties will need to be defined, to include e.g. chemical checks, pH balancing, cleaning pool and changing rooms, etc.

Elaine mentioned the need for boilers and suggested that 2 smaller ones might be better than one big one – this was generally agreed, but need to investigate further.

Summer Fayre

Several ideas were discussed: street dance, choir, music ideas, samba band from Maiden Erlegh. No decisions were taken.

Spring Concert

It was decided that there will be a Spring Concert involving the choir, perhaps with cheese and wine. To be discussed at next meeting.

Building Update

The project is now funded by local authority, so PTA only have to pay for extras. The PTA thanked Elaine for her hard work in securing the funding. It was decided that we will install a 'fund thermometer' in a suitable place, target set at £5000 (to be confirmed by Elaine) in £1000 graduations.

Another idea raised was to raise funds at Easter via money collection in Smarties tubes. Graham will contact Nestle to investigate possible donation/sponsorship.

Sports Day

Elaine talked about the sports day arrangements, which due to the building work at school will be on 17th July at Palmer Park stadium. There will be a picnic at lunchtime for the children. Ruth mentioned 'Active Reading' could be involved. Graham suggested Kingsley the Royals Mascot could make an appearance; need to discuss at next meeting.

Summer Show

The summer show will be 'Blast Off', a tribute to Hazel Quinn as it was a favourite of hers. Ian mentioned we need to get a new lighting rig, cost approx £1500. Approved in principle, need more information on the costs.

Painting Parties

Need volunteers for Saturday 27th June – Simon to put in newsletter. After that, suggestion is to hold one painting party per term, refreshments provided which can include beer if not sold.

AOB

E-mail aliases to be set up – contact Simon.

Bingo – need tickets from Stephen

Wish List

- School art week (Emma)
PTA contribution £100 - £150 for a dancer agreed
- CD player listening package (Avril)
£125 each for 3 packages agreed
- Electric pencil sharpeners (Avril)
Elaine said school would fund this, not PTA

Next PTA Committee Meeting

Tuesday 3rd March 2009.