

New Scotland Hill Primary School

Parent Teacher Association

Meeting Date: Thursday 8th May 2003

Present: Sally Kent John Walton Julie Jones Linda Northover
 Niki Hennah Steph Blades Sara Wright Sharon Hatherley
 Sarah Ponsford Theresa Curtis Julie Armstrong-Wood
 Sally Armstrong- Davies

Apologies: Kirstie Ferguson Justine Mackinnon Carolyne Wright Karen Ching

Previous Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed by Sally Kent.

Treasurers Report

Report: £484 in the Current Account and £ 6,446 in Deposit Account. All funds available have been allocated to projects.

Although the PTA had agreed to fund 50% of the new liner for the swimming pool, Linda reported that due to the fact that the school extension has come in over- budget all capital reserves are now required. Linda asked the PTA if it was possible to fully fund the £ 3,000 for the swimming pool re-furbishment, the PTA agreed.

John stated that the deposit had been paid for the farm and he was holding an invoice for the balance.

Linda stated that she would get in touch with the farm to arrange them to come into school in spring 2004. Once a date has been confirmed the PTA agreed to pay the balance.

Chairpersons Report

Sally congratulated all those involved in the organisation of the “Easter Egg” competition; the competition was very well received.

The raffle tickets are all printed and Sally will be arranging distribution shortly. It was discussed that due to extension, traffic through the school office should be kept to a minimum. Sally suggested that a brown tray be put in each classroom for PTA related activities and collections. Sally will then collect any PTA related correspondence from the trays.

The Crowthorne Times is running a Award program run by “Richard Worth.” Any one interested in assisting just need to cut out and complete the token and send it into the paper and on a bi-monthly basis a draw takes place and an award of £200 will be made.

Friday 16th May has been set aside for parents to assist with the removal of the bark in the nursery playground. Anyone able to assist will be very welcome. We will commence at 9.15 a.m.

Summer Fete

All is going well with the organisation of the summer fete. The following items were discussed: -

- Entertainment – Audax will be asked to perform again.
 - PA system – Julie to investigate the cost of purchasing a system.
 - It was agreed that we would post leaflets through local houses again
 - Tim Wilkins has agreed to assist with the Line Dancing.
 - There will be no Maypole dancing display this year.
 - John Walton is looking into the possibility of holding a Bike Auction.
 - Space will be needed for Year 6 – Enterprise.
 - Pringle tubes still need to be collected to make totem poles.
- There will be a non-uniform day on Friday 20th June, the theme will be Stars & Stripes or red, white and blue.

Request for Funds

Elm and Cedar classes have put in a request for funding for new equipment for their classrooms. A full list of equipment needs to be supplied to the PTA for consideration. It was decided that after the swimming pool is re-furbished, then the Elm and Cedar Classroom's would be the next project for the PTA.

Head teachers Report

Linda informed the PTA that the school extension was due to start shortly and would mean some major disruption to the school office, library and staff areas.

School uniform – Linda stated that there were still some items of school uniform stock in the school. Sally said that there is now plenty of room in the shed and that she would ask Sarah to move it.

Website – It was suggested that some of the school standard forms could be made available on the school website, to minimize the traffic going through the school office during the extension. Linda stated she would look into it.

PTA Website: www.nsh-pta.org.uk.

School Website: www.newscotlandhill.ik.org

Any other Business

Circus – Theresa stated that all is on track for the Circus in October.

Cake Stall - It was suggested that the cake sales start again week commencing the 27th June, starting with the morning nursery. We have raised £365 from the sales of cakes. A big "Thank you" to all those parents who have assisted us in raising this money.

Water Bottles – Sharon suggested that we could order some water bottles with the school logo on. It was agreed this was a very good idea and Sharon agreed to arrange for 100 bottles will be ordered, to be available to be sold at the school fete. It was also suggested that pens with the school logo on would be a good idea. It was decided that the pens should be made available for sale at the Christmas Bazaar.

Summer Fete Helpers – Stephanie stated that she would be having a meeting on Monday 19th May at 1.30 p.m. to talk to anyone who would be willing to help with the running of the school fete. All parents are very welcome. For further detail on venue etc please call Steph on 01344 780523.

Fund Raising Ideas – Steph suggested two new fund raising ideas. “ A Cludeo Evening” and children’s bingo events.

Meeting concluded at 8.50 p.m.

Next meeting – Wednesday 9th July 2003 at 7.30 p.m. at the School.