

Minutes for the PSA Meeting 31/03/08

Those Present: Riz, Ian, Pat, Tina, Sabine, Sue, Lisa, Rachael, Mrs Walker, Mrs Bennesch.

Apologies: Nicola Masters, Jean Calas-Hathaway and Lindsey.

1) Matters arising from the last meeting.

Lindsey Clark unfortunately has problems with her computer so Ian will record the minutes on this occasion.

Action - Riz to contact Kevin Reilly at David Lloyds.

2) Financial Update

The pantomime has raised between five and six thousand pounds after expenses have been paid. Quite a few of the pledges have been received.

3) Forthcoming Events

Farmers Market – Saturday 12th April

As the Farmers Markets is during the spring holiday, there will be fewer cakes than usual so the event will be used to promote the school. Tea towels will be sold and the sponsored walk will be promoted with sponsorship forms being available on the day. The nearly new sale will be promoted as well.

Action – Lisa will update the promotion board on Thursday 3rd April.

Action – Pat to give sponsorship forms to Riz by Friday 4th April.

Action – Riz to put a mention in the weekly newsletter on Friday 4th April.

Action – Riz to collect the tables, benches, promotion board and laminated posters from the school by Friday 4th April.

Action – Ian to put a letter in the book bags.

Action – Ian to email Nicola to see if she would like to cover the stall for a period.

Action – Ian to collect banner, paper plates, bags etc from the school by Friday 4th April.

Action – Riz to bring the tables, benches, tea towels, sponsorship forms and her gazebo to the Farmers Market.

Action – Everyone who have offered to bake, please bring cakes to the Farmer Market.

A provisional rota for the day:

8 to 9	Riz & Ian
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10 to 11	Sue & Tina
11 to 12	Rachel & Sarah
12 to 1	Riz, Sarah & Ian

Nearly New Sale – Sunday 18th May

The date has now been confirmed as Sunday 18th May. The school hall has been provisionally booked for 11am to 3pm.

It was suggested that parents could donate any school uniforms that no longer fitted.

Other local schools should be contacted.

Details will be distributed in book bags after the Spring break.

Sponsored Walk – Saturday 26th April From 10.00 until 2.00

Three licenses have been arranged for the collection buckets.

The organisers need to know the number of children who will be doing the sponsored walk.

Action – Lisa to put a confirmation slip in the book bags on return to school on Monday 21st April.

Tea and coffee for adults and drinks for the children will be supplied on completion of the walk. Tina's friend may supply cakes.

Action – Pat to collect the yellow vests for the event stewards and organise the vest distribution on the day.

Action – Mrs Bennesch has offered to find out which teachers will be attending the event and the possibility that the teachers may carry the collection buckets.

Summer Fair – Sunday 6th July

A Summer Fair Sub-Committee has been set up consisting of:

Riz, Ian, Pat, Tina, Sabine, Sue, Lisa, Rachael, Sarah and possibly Jill, Nicola and Sheila.

The first meeting will be held on 21st April at 2pm in the library.

Football Tournament – Date to be confirmed in September

The football tournament has been put back to September. The planning of this event will be delayed until later in the year.

Swimming Pool

Mrs Walker mentioned that a suitable candidate (who specialises in under 7s) has been found to carry out the swimming instruction. The swimming lessons begin on the 2nd June.

Riz has spoken to Mr Grimes regarding the pool maintenance and several tasks need to be carried out before lessons can begin. Maintenance teams need to be organised for activities such as weeding and replacing sand between the paving slabs to produce a safe environment. This will be organised after the spring holiday. Probably two days help is required

Action – Riz to put a letter in the book bags after the spring holiday requesting volunteers to help.

4) Any Other Business

Executive Meeting to Decide the Through School Application

There will be a presentation to the Council during the afternoon of 8th April. In the evening there will be a public meeting.

Action – Mrs Walker to supply details of the time and venue.

It was suggested that the press should be invited.

Several members of the PSA have expressed an interest in attending the public meeting. The proposal can be viewed at the reception.

Thank You to the PSA

Mrs Walker expressed her thanks to the PSA for all their hard work this year; Mrs Bennesch supported this.

June Event

As the football tournament has been postponed until September, it was felt that an event in June should be organised. If the application is successful, maybe a celebratory event could be arranged such as street party in the school grounds or a school disco for the children. Ideas are sought and will be discussed at the next PSA meeting.

PSA Minutes

Previous to the meeting, Ned Calas-Hathaway mentioned to Ian that placing the minutes on the Ripley school website would help to communicate the PSA activities. Mrs Bennesch suggested that a letter should be placed in the book bags when the minutes have been published.

Action – Ian to organise.

Date of the next PSA meeting – 2nd May at 9am in the library