

ST. ALBAN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL P.T.A. MEETING MONDAY 9TH JANUARY 2012

MINUTES OF MEETING

PRESENT Mark Booton, Clare Beech, Clare Cox, Tracey Richardson, Sally Lakin, Sue Wheat, Jenny Windridge, John Barnfield.

APOLOGIES Ruth Hawley, Pete Bowley, Alan Wildbore, Clare Daly, Simon Burch, Jackie Chapman, Sue Reid.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Clare Daly unavailable tonight.

Balance as per last meeting (14th November 2011) was £1833.59 in bank, and £222.78 held in cash to purchase supplies for forthcoming events. Proceeds from the Christmas disco need to be added.

DICTIONARIES: PTA has agreed to pay for new dictionaries for upper KS2, Mr Monaghan to purchase. Clare Beech to check this is being done.

PTA MASCOT: Tracey and Jenny approached Mrs Muldoon to see if the yr 6 children could work with their FS2 prayer partners to create a mascot, she agreed and they did that last half half term. A winner has been selected now and will appear on new correspondence! We need to organise a small prize for the winning entry. Tracey and Jenny to follow up.

MRS NEEDHAM: Part of Mrs Needham's £1,000 donation will be used for the purchase of a new Altar Missal at an approx cost of £600. This has been ordered but has not arrived to date. PTA will arrange for inscription when it arrives.

SHADED AREAS: These are now complete and Mark is looking into the purchase of tables with games on the top for the children to play. The idea will be presented to the school council for the children to select their preferences. The cost is around £300 each.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Another well attended and successful event. The lucky dip gifts at £1 each were very popular but unfortunately ran out too early!

OFFER OF COMPUTERS: John's company have made an offer to school to donate 6 used computers, with the potential for other computer consumables in the future. Mark to put John in touch with Fiona Muldoon to liaise over this.

E-MAIL ADDRESSES: A hotmail account has been set up, Pete to co-ordinate. Clare Beech reported that a few people had left email contacts at the Pumpkin party, these will be passed to Pete.

PROJECTS AND EVENTS FOR THE COMING YEAR

CAKE SALE: Infant cake sale Wednesday 8th February 2p.m. Jenny and Tracey available to help.

PAMPER NIGHT: No date set yet, Clare Daly to look into booking and obtaining price list.

FASHION SHOW: Date for fashion show now set for 15th March 2012, possibility for link with Mothering Sunday which is that week. Clare Cox and Clare Beech to look into advertising in the parish and Revive centre. It was suggested that the price of tickets should be £3 including a glass of wine or soft drink, and also to publicise that high street brands that will be available at a reduced price.

NON-UNIFORM DAY: Friday 16th March will be a non-uniform day, the children will be asked to bring in some chocolate in return for not wearing uniform, which will then be put into Easter chocolate hampers to be raffled at the Table Top Sale next weekend!

TABLE TOP SALE: An idea was put forward for a table top sale, stall holders will be charged £10 a table. The winners of the chocolate hampers will be announced at the event. Children's Easter lucky dip for the PTA stall?

TREASURE HUNT: Date proposed for Sunday 20th May 12-2p.m. Need to liaise with Geoff Needs. Tracey to consult Geoff Needs.

STREET PARTY: To celebrate the Queen's diamond jubilee. It was decided that this should take place in the week commencing 28th May, actual date depending on weather. It will take the form of an old fashioned street party for the children, tables set out in the playground, cold buffet food provided by PTA. Maypole dancing, stocks....teachers agreeing!... and old fashioned street games. Denise Tomlinson may know of somewhere that hires out games – Clare Beech to find out – will need to book them soon.

ST ALBANSBURY! : An idea was put forward to hold an outdoor event along the same lines as last year's highly successful end of year party, with a festival theme using a live band. All agreed and a date was set for 13th July 2012. Andy has now booked a band, they will provide their own PA and be able to provide a disco too. It was generally agreed to make this a big end of year event and push the festival theme with stalls etc. Perhaps free entry for those in wellies?!!

GOLF DAY: We now have a date of 20th July 2012 at Breadsall Priory. The event will be a joint fund raiser, Alan to provide more details.

NEWSLETTER: Tracey/ Jenny to organise a newsletter to publicise all the above events.

NEXT MEETING MONDAY 12TH MARCH 7.30pm IN THE JUNIOR LIBRARY