

Minutes of the ABA Meeting 30th September 2008

Present: Simon Dunn, Lise´ Laycock, Jackie King, Caron Bakes, Claire Hanafin, Louise Lancaster, Wendy Cope, Sandra Du Plessis, Suzie Tarleton, Diane Cochrane, Julia Szajdzicka, Katherine Lowcock, Rachel Butler, Gary Butler, Mair Ainsworth, Francesca Parkes .

Apologies: Nicola Wood, Angela Hammond, Helen Childs, Emma Todd.

Welcome :

- Lise´ Laycock welcomed Simon Dunn to his first ABA meeting.

Sponsored Walk (Walk for Water):

- The sponsored walk was well attended with 40 adults and 50 children taking part. Many thanks to all who took part.
- £878.45 has been raised to date.
- Agreed that Claire Hanafin would contact the school for feedback on how the monies raised are helping the school in Kenya.
- Julia Szajdzicka put forward the suggestion of a book club/book stall to also raise funds for the school in Kenya. Mr Dunn suggested that this be held once a term where the children bring in their old books and they can be re-sold on the same day. Julia Szajdzicka to organise and liaise with Mr Dunn.
- Julia Szajdzicka wanted to thank the school shop (Rawcliffes) for the scrunchies and hats that they donated as the proceeds are also to go to the school in Kenya.

Contact Sheet :

- Contact sheet to be updated and circulated.

Year Reps:

The following year reps were agreed:

- Pre-Nursery : TBC
- Nursery : Francesca Parkes
- Reception : Diane Cochrane
- Yr 1 : Suzie Tarleton
- Yr 2 : TBC
- Yr3 : Wendy Cope
- Yr4 : TBC
- Yr5 : Katherine Lowcock
- Yr6 : Jackie King

Details of the Year Reps will be posted on the notice boards and the website.

KS1/KS2 Discos:

KS1 Disco : Friday 10th October 6pm

KS2 Disco : Friday 17th October 6.30pm

- Jason (DJ) confirmed and Jackie King to book him for the 2009 discos.
- Posters have been designed by the 6th Formers at the Grove and being put up this week.
- Agreed that a letter is to go out re the discos.

The following kindly volunteered to help out on the night(s):

KS1 Disco : Suzie Tarleton, Caron Bakes, Diane Cochrane, Wendy Cope, Julia Szajdzicka and Francesca Parkes.

KS2 Disco : Jackie King, Sandra Du Plessis, Katherine Lowcock, Suzie Tarleton, Claire Hanafin, Julia Szajdzicka, Rachel & Gary Butler.

Christmas Fundraiser :

- Christmas song DVD of each year group to be produced. Mr Dunn to check with staff re organising this.

2008/2009 Events :

- KS1 Disco – Friday 10th October 2008
- KS2 Disco – Friday 17th October 2008
- 'Uniform 2U' Sale – Thursday 23rd October 2008
- Christmas Fayre – Saturday 29th November 2008
- Secret Shop – Thursday 11th December 2008
- Parents Social Evening – Friday 30th January 2009
- Family Fun Night – Friday 27th February
- Treasure Hunt – Friday 15th May 2009 (Alternate date Friday 12th June 2009)
- Garden Party – Saturday 6th June 2009
- Fashion Show – date TBC

Secret Shop – Thursday 11th December 2008

- Agreed that there needs to be an amendment on the form that goes out for the children to specify whom they are buying for e.g. name and title.
- Ideas of gifts to be passed to Lise´ Laycock. Maximum £4 per gift.
- Volunteers will be needed for wrapping and writing labels as well as help on the day.

Christmas Fayre – Saturday 29th November 2008:

- Whiteleys Garden Centre have offered to donate some Christmas trees to the school. Claire Hanafin to liaise.
- Volunteers for trimming up the hall : Sandra Du Plessis, Louise Lancaster, Lise´ Laycock, Katherine Lowcock.
- Volunteers for taking down the trimmings in the hall : Katherine Lowcock, Sandra Du Plessis, Suzie Tarleton, Louise Lancaster, Gary Butler.
- Year 7 Art Group (the Grove) have requested a stall at the Christmas Fayre. Lise´ Laycock to obtain more information regarding this.
- Lise´ Laycock to speak to Louise Watson (6th Form co-ordinator) to request help from the 6th Formers for setting up and helping out on the day etc.
- Lise´ Laycock to contact Mrs Richardson regarding the letter for any parents requiring an independent stall on the day.

Any Other Business:

- Name labels - please remember to enter the following code when ordering : Bronte House School BD10 in the fundraising area at the checkout for 20% cash back for the ABA. The website address is : www.easy2name.com
- ABA website to be updated with the new events, new year reps etc.
- Agreed that what the ABA has spent/committed funds on to be displayed in the notice boards, on the website and in the weekly newsletters.
- Agreed that a 'Uniform 2U' sale to be held on 23rd October 3pm – 5.30pm. Thanks to Katherine Lawcock and Gary Butler for volunteering to help.
- Mr Dunn expressed his thanks to the ABA for the interactive whiteboards.
- Idea of an ABA Suggestion Box to be placed at Ashdown Lodge and Bronte House respectively.

Date of next meeting:

Tuesday 11th November 2008 at 8pm. All parents welcome to attend.