

Friends of St Andrews School PTA, Great Yeldham

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 24th January 2012 at 9am

Present: Ms Trappitt, Alison Tosh, Mel Lilley, Sarah Lowe, Kealy Saunders, Steph Waller, Kylie Sparkes,

Apologies: None given

Valentines disco: Friday 10th February 2012 3.15 – 4.45pm

Refreshments – Kylie and Steph to make some heart shaped biscuits to be eaten at party. Kerry to organise drinks, drinks fountain to be used.

Music – Sarah to make up CD's. We discussed the use of the stereo in the hall as it over heats when it has been in use for too long. The karaoke machine is not loud enough. It was agreed that we would put a fan directing on to the amplifier to keep it cool and play a game in the middle, turning the music off, giving it chance to cool down. Kylie said she will also speak to her husband about a stereo and speakers we could possibly use.

Tickets/Flyers – Kealy is going to do the tickets and flyers for event. The flyers will be put all around the school to advertise the disco. Tickets will be priced at £2 and put on sale in the school office.

Decorations – Alison is going to pick up some red balloons. Mel has the rest of the decorations which she will hand over to us before she goes on holiday. We will be meeting at 1.30pm on the day to set up the hall.

The children are going to be asked to where something red if possible, bringing their clothes into school to change into at the end of the day.

A dance competition and hula game will be held with prizes for the best boy/girl dancers in key stage 1 and 2. Kealy is going to ask Claire about prizes and how many lollies we have, to see if we can give every child one as they leave the disco.

Mel is going to leave £60 petty cash and the paying in book with Sarah in case anything needs to be purchased or people need reimbursing, for items bought for the disco.

Easter Events:

The idea was put forward that the Easter Egg hunt be cancelled this year, and replaced with the parade. All agreed. A non-school uniform day and the Easter parade will be held on Friday 30th March 2012. An Easter hat competition will be held, and the children can dress up in Easter colours and outfits, then parade around Yeldham, collecting money in buckets. The parade will be held after school,

commencing at approximately 3.45pm and last for 2 hours. Ms Trappitt is going to organise the route taken and ensure we have enough supervision for the children. A car and trailer are also going to be taken round with an Easter bunny on and the winners of the hat/bonnet competition.

The Halstead Gazette are going to be informed to promote the event and the reason for fundraising, ie for the school pool, healthy living, healthier kids, etc.

Further discussion will take place about the Easter fayre and parade at the next meeting.

Jubilee celebrations:

The school are going to celebrate this event on Friday 1st June 2012, by way of a giant picnic. The PTA thought it would be nice if parents/carers could come along to this event too and have the option of purchasing refreshments. This was agreed. The children would have the picnic as their lunch that day at about 1pm. Further discussions will take place at a meeting nearer the time.

Kealy asked if the date for sports day could be confirmed. It is Thursday 21st June 2012, with a big emphasis on the Olympics.

Talent Competition Update:

A meeting was held by the group organising this event. Steph fed back to us what had been discussed. Some of the ladies are going to go into an assembly to explain to the children what it is all about, with clips from Britains Got Talent. A letter/ entry form is going to go out. It will cost £5 to enter, which is non-refundable. Possible dates for auditions are Saturday 19th May, with the live final being held the following Saturday, 26th May. This will be a ticket event. Popcorn and sweets could be sold on the night to make more money. Further feedback will be given at the next coffee morning.

Dates for your diaries: Meeting to discuss Easter events – Tuesday 21st February 2012 at 9am in school.

Next coffee morning – Thursday 2nd February 2012 at 9am. Alison to confirm venue.