

BMR Class Reps Meeting - Minutes

Date: Friday 25th September 2009

Date of Next Meeting: Friday 6th November, 2009 – 8.30am School Dining Room

| | SUBJECT | |
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| 1. | Introduction and Welcome | |
| | <p>Susannah Ferguson introduced herself as the new Chair of the BMR. Bex Hindle agreed to take over admin duties temporarily until Georgina Sideso is able to following the birth of her baby in October.</p> <p>SF to liaise with Nick Park to rework the BMR webpage, with details of BMR activities and people involved. Email address to be routed to SF, who will then divert enquiries to relevant people.</p> <p>Shortened version of meeting Minutes will be posted on the website, after approval by David Fleming/Caroline Riley.</p> | |
| 2. | Finance and Spending Plans | |
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| a) | BMR to use funds from kitty to purchase a marquee for school events. | |
| b) | David Fleming welcomes the idea of using BMR funds to improve the acoustics and lighting in the Memo Hall. | |
| 3. | Jubilee Sponsored Walk/Run – School Event | |
| | <p>As part of the School's 125th Birthday celebration David Fleming has suggested a school event to raise funds for the purchase of a new Grand Piano to replace the existing piano which has seen better days. Any money raised from the sponsored activity will be topped up by the school to reach purchase price. This is to be a school event, but with BMR support. It is possible that Ridge House will be encouraged to do a separate event.</p> <p>More details to follow on the website.</p> | |
| 4. | BMR 2010 Birthday Calendar – Shelley Hern | |
| | <p>Shelley explained that it has been agreed to produce a calendar for 2010, and that it will take the same format as last year's calendar, with staff photos updated to reflect changes etc.</p> <p>Alex (Shelley's husband) is available to start taking the photos next week, (Weds-Friday) and Shelley will produce the list of clothing requirements, where to be etc. for each grouping. These will be on the website as soon as possible, with a request for helpers as always.</p> <p>Class reps please reinforce the photo shoot information to your year groups by email etc. and if anyone has any ideas for groupings/shots please email Shelley!</p> | |
| 5. | Christmas Fair – Sarah Bruce | |
| | <p>The Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday 14th November and the committee is already hard at work organising things. Many stalls are already booked, but there is still availability so please ask anyone you think may be interested in taking a stall.</p> <p>Sarah informed the meeting about the following:-</p> | |
| a) | <p>The fair is short on stalls that are of interest/relevant for children – such as toys activities etc. Several of last years stallholders are not able to come this year, so any ideas/suggestions of child friendly activities/competitions/toy sellers welcome.</p> <p>The meeting discussed running something like two Lucky Dips,. Decorated jam jars, filled with toys/sweets, proved to be a success at the 2005 Fair. Perhaps these could be recreated at school in association with the art department. SB to</p> | |

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| | talk to Mrs Macallum | |
| b) | LeapFrog ceramics keen to come to the fair but unable to provide anyone to run the pottery painting session. Jo Calver has very kindly volunteered to help with this | |
| c) | Food/Drink – the Fair committee have decided to locate the Christmas Fair restaurant in the school dining room this year, and to locate the coffee/cake shop down in the Memo Hall – probably in the gallery to ease congestion. Website cake appeal to be made! | |
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| d) | Silent Auction The silent auction will once again be co-ordinated by Susie Page Please will everyone think about what they can donate/offer – anything from babysitting to cooking a dinner for a dinner party etc. Class reps can help with this by contacting their classes | |
| f) | Charities: The charities supported this year will once again be the Thames Valley Air Ambulance and also the Meningitis Trust | |
| 6. | Quiz Night – Susannah Ferguson | |
| | A quiz night was held about 4 years ago and it has been decided that it would be a good idea to hold another one to take place in the Spring Term. Miss Cowan is very happy to get involved and write the questions etc. A team is needed to co-ordinate this to make it a social evening. | |
| 7. | Uniform Shop – Ann Holden | |
| | Ann updated the meeting on the school uniform shop, and appealed for another couple of helpers to help out on Monday mornings between 8.15 and 9am when the shop is open. The uniform shop may open less frequently, but Ann and Juliet can always be contacted by email. Parents who wish to request/sell items need to use the forms on the website. Perry Uniform now have a dedicated Brockhurst/Marlston helper called Sarah Harris whose details should be put on the website. The new tracksuits are due for delivery in October, and there is still a years grace for the old style tracksuits. Forms 1-3 blazers are also expected around half term and these are to be worn everyday and all year round to distinguish the more senior school pupils – Navy blue for girls and Tweed for boys. Meeting discussed the colour of the Brockhurst tie – Perry are still sending out raspberry pink rather than burgundy so Ann will speak to Sarah Harris about this. The meeting also discussed the possibility of a blazer amnesty for the old style blazers (both burgundy and green) which are now obsolete but which may be useful for team sports/match days. Sally Rossiter to discuss this with Stuart Raeburn-Ward, and possibly request parents to donate old blazers to school. | |
| 8. | Any Other Business | |
| | Jane Park will welcome any donations of baked goods/cakes for the Macmillan Coffee Morning on Monday 28 th , and BMR will be there to welcome new parents and give out information | |