

PARENTS AND FRIENDS GROUP

Meeting 27th February 2008

Present: Charlene, Lynn, Sarah, Hazel, Julie, Nicola, June.

Apologies: Sheena, Carol, Lisa, Pam, Nancy.

1. Shed.

Has arrived! And is now situated inside the P1/2 cloakroom. There is room here for it to stay inside permanently and the children have sorted the games into 4 age/stage bags. Seems to be working well and keeping it inside negates the problems of siting and security. One box provides adequate storage for all the games at present.

2. Library

Update provided by Hazel.....

“the number of books recommended by the library service per child is 10 which equates roughly to 3000 books. This is a long term goal and we would hope to be able to start the library this session with around 2000 books.

We currently have 700 books which are being catalogued and then going into plastic covers. The school has £1000 commission from a previous book fair which would buy approx 250 books. Added to the 700 books gives us around 950 books.

If the school had another £4000, approximately another 800 books could be purchased and this would bring the total to approximately 1750 books.

School could add on commission from the next book fair event planned at the beginning of March 2008, and this might bring the total to 2000 books”.

Offers of help with cataloguing and putting covers on books were gratefully received and school will let us know when this is required.

Parents and Friends Group all seemed to agree that as our bank balance is a rather healthy £6000+ we were in a position to offer the £4000 required for the library books.

It was also noted that a further target for fundraising be the extension of the netball court. Although Stoneyhill is able to participate in netball tournaments, we are unable to host such tournaments as our current court is too short. Further investigation would be needed regarding shortfall and cost of extending it required at later date.

3. Website access

Sarah and Lynn now have passwords and have received training regarding adding posts and minutes directly onto the school website. January's meeting minutes were all agreed and signed off and will be posted on the school website within the next week.

4. Ceilidh.

Hailed as a great success!

140 tickets sold, of which 72 were adults and 68 were children.

Hire of Community Centre £81.

Piper £30 noted to ask him to play longer next time, maybe coming into the hall as well once everyone has arrived. Gifts of a bottle and flowers to Mr. And Mrs Grandison for their

fantastic contributions to the evening totalled £36.

Also discussed having a raffle on the evening next time, with possibly older children selling the tickets, and including games with prizes to engage kids more

We also received a card from Margaret at the Community Centre thanking us for helping to clear up after ourselves!

Sarah to send a thankyou to P5/6 for their amazing tickets and posters designs.

5.School discos

P1-3 6-7.15PM

P4-7 7.30-9PM

to be held on the 8th of May 2008.

(Also noted potential date for P7 Leavers' Party is 23rd of June).

As last year, children will enter by the main school entrance, and exit by the fire exit opposite the hall where the discos are held. Again, like last year, children will be instructed to bring £1 into school on certain date to purchase their ticket. Children can design and sell tickets themselves.

Need to: book hall, decide which class will design and sell tickets, and decide on a DJ, preferably one who provides the full package of lights etc.

6. Minutes of meeting held on 23rd January 2008 agreed and signed off and will be posted on the school website as soon as possible.

Newsletter will go out next week with details of date and time for the school discos and also asking for volunteers for the School Fayre (7th of June).

Next meeting of School Council is Monday 10th March 2008.

Next meeting of Parents and Friends Group is Thursday 13th March, which will be primarily to discuss the School Fayre.