

SASA Meeting Minutes - Tuesday 23rd May

Apologies: Anna Chamberlain, Anita Matadeen, Lucy Murchison, Georgina Montgomery

Attending: Julie Blyth, Eleanor Cameron, Annie Arnold, Mary Wright, Helen Reid, Vanessa Clipstone, Paul Tucker, Katie Small, Rachael Farnsworth, Philippa Young, Claire

1. Events - Looking back

Treasure Map Trails. <https://treasuremaptrails.com/>

Only 2 sold at Easter. Promote again for May half-term.

Action JB to ask LM to promote this week

Fun Run. Feedback – great event, ran smoothly, well-attended, good level of parent involvement, kids were happy and enthusiastic. Noted how many younger children took part, good take-up from Rainbows and Yr 1. No need to book or buy a ticket meant people could decide on the day whether to come. Timing for next year – May or September equally good options.

Huge thanks to Liz Hurran for organising, and to all those who helped out on the day.

2. Events - Looking forward

Rainbow families welcome (school event) Thursday 8 June, 6 pm. SASA volunteers needed for tea/coffee/welcome – Lucy, Richard, Julie. One more would be good!

Action: JB to check Google drive for Rainbows welcome to SASA document and update

SASA Summer Social, Tuesday 27 June. Decided on bring and share rather than BBQ. Time – from 6.30 pm to set up, eating from 7 ish, followed by short AGM.

Summer Fair, Friday 7 July. Class reps to liaise with teachers over support needed. Decision made on ticketing – no paper tickets, most stalls to be 20p, or multiples thereof. SASA to run Café, Splat the teacher, bouncy castle (? decision needed), penalty shoot-outs. Volunteers so far – Liz, Georgina, Paul. Co-ordinator needed to keep an eye on whole event. Bouncy castle is a query due to insurance issue, and tying PT's time for the whole afternoon. Might be better for PT to oversee penalty shootout and/or other sporty activity.

Splat the Rat – Year 4

Skittles – Year 5 KC

Face Painting – Year 5 EC

Hook a Duck – Year 2 (or a variation)

Bean Bag Toss (Corn Hole) - Year 1

Penalty Shootout – Year 3

Year 6 – Run their own stalls!

Year 6 Parents – Tombola?!!!!

Raffle (Possibly Hampers) – Rainbows

Action: All reps to liaise with class teachers over stall setup/help needed

Action: JB to circulate message asking for a coordinator for the whole event. A small team will be needed for the café plus someone to check supplies and oversee set up on the day

Action: JB and MW (and JH?) to discuss bouncy castle

Action: JB to check with Chris Daniels that same arrangement as last year can be in place for ASC children to attend the fair

Summer concert, Monday 10 July. SASA volunteers needed for Pimms and strawberries – Liz, Richard, Georgina

3. Funding requests

Health Week. The school has requested a donation from SASA toward Health Week, which is coming up later this term. This would go to pay for workshops from outside companies, and supplies for internally provided events. For example, Red Panda charge £300 – £1000 for their all day workshops. Workshops and activities will be offered to the whole school, including Rainbows (where age-appropriate). Previously, SASA has given £2000 towards deep learning week events in school.

So far, bookings have been made for whole day workshops as follows (sessions for each class):

Red Panda - Carnival dance workshops

Red Panda - Scootering and skate boarding

Lizzie Rowe (Art historian) - workshops on the theme of "wellbeing".

They are also booking judo and ballet sessions, and possibly yoga.

The meeting approved the use of £2,000.

Action: JB to inform Treasurer

Christmas coaches. SASA has been asked to fund coaches to the Christmas events at the Pegasus and Oxford Playhouse this year. Total £950.

Approved

Action: JB to inform Treasurer

Wellness group supplies. Mrs Walker has requested regular ongoing funding for consumables for her lunchtime wellness sessions. £40 per term. Many at the meeting spoke of their gratitude to Mrs Walker for her work at the school, and their support for these programmes to continue.

Approved, with caveat that amount could be increased if necessary. Noted that the Committee is willing to provide extra support any teacher who is struggling to fund supplies for teaching.

Action: JB to inform Treasurer

4. School facilities

Playground improvements. Jane Burd is ordering a new shed for outdoor storage; Fun Run proceeds will go towards this. Andy and PT have also repurposed the former salt storage bins, as an accessible way for children to access balls and other sporting equipment – these are working well.

SASA will also be contributing toward the repainting of lines, and creation of holes in the concrete for netball posts, plus the posts themselves. This work will be carried out alongside the planting of trees near the KS1 play area, sponsored by the Green Team.

Action: MW to investigate whether grass is being replaced/re-seeded

Outdoor lighting for playground in winter and adjacent to the Hall for social events. This needs to be done in coordination with ASC. Work can be undertaken by school electrician (who is also a school dad)

Action: JB to speak to CD

5. Committee

Committee positions - election postponed until September for continuity and so that 'AGM' can be a social event.

Role of class reps. The amendments to the document were accepted. Discussion resulted in agreement on current class reps vacating their positions after the summer vacation. New volunteers would be recruited within Summer Term (i.e. after May half-term) so that they can get used to the idea and any handover can take place, ready to start in September. Class rep position to be a 1 year commitment. Anyone currently in post who wants to carry on is welcome to do so if no one else steps forward.

Action: JB to inform reps who were not at meeting of decision.

Action: JB to draft statement for circulation

Action: all reps to start talking to prospective new reps

Events WhatsApp group. Idea approved for a permanent WhatsApp group of volunteers for events throughout the year. People can opt in and out if they wish. Streamlines the volunteer management, as opposed to creating a new group for each event.

Action: PT to create group and circulate message to reps to promote it

6. Acting on suggestions from Nov social meeting

School website. Some work has taken place on updating information on the SASA pages.

Action: JB to regularly liaise with School Office to make sure SASA events are in the online calendar.

Parent survey. Could take place this term

Action: RF and VC to meet and plan content

7. AOB

PY raised a question about the range of after school clubs available to children. Feeling was that more variety would be appreciated, though it was recognised that new activities would need to rotate with existing ones. PT was advised to take suggestions to CD and/or JH.

8. Date of next meeting.

SASA Social (and AGM) Tuesday 27 June.