

The Barlow Parent, Adults and Staff Association

Thursday 23rd March 2023, 7pm at Barlow Club

Meeting minutes – 3



Attendees:

Naomi Durham
Maria Dodds
Charlotte Dobson
Leanne Cooper

Guest:

Mrs Karen Parris

Minutes:

The meeting started by welcoming Mrs Parris from school who came to discuss the 'Wellbeing Award' which the school are working towards and hoping to achieve. It is in conjunction with the National Children's Bureau and looks at putting policies and procedures in place for the wellbeing and mental wellbeing of all pupils, staff, parents and caregivers. A survey did go out to parents early last year however there wasn't much feedback from it so Mrs Parris wondered if this was something we could encourage and promote through BPASA and also said they are continually looking for ideas they can do to further the work they are already doing in school. The committee were fully behind supporting this – Charlotte suggested the children doing 'Pen Pal' letters as this is something that she is working on in the care setting she works at and is going down well with the older patients. Karen really liked this idea and was looking to pursue this. Maria also said she had some children's books which were aimed at feelings and emotions and would be happy to donate these to school which Karen again said would be a lovely addition to go in the ELSA corner perhaps. Maria also suggested bringing back the buddy system; so whilst the buddy bus stop is still in place in the playground this could be looked into also. Karen then left the meeting.

The photo had been taken of committee members, Lucy, Maria, Ann and Charlotte with winners of the logo competition and this was due to be printed in the press at any time.

Easter – Naomi confirmed that 90 easter eggs have been generously donated for all children in school with huge thanks going to Barlow Parish Council. It was agreed at a meeting which took place with some committee members and school previously that 'Thank you' letters would be sent to all those who have kindly donated via the School Council which Mrs Alnajjar was liaising with. It was also suggested we may do a couple of thank you posters to go up in school to say thanks and raise a bit of publicity for those who have.

Naomi will liaise with Mrs Briggs to separately detail amounts raised from the Easter events which we can then publicise (raffle / bake sale / easter bonnet)

It was confirmed that Mr Fentieman had kindly donated enough eggs for all children to take part in the egg rolling competition so that parents didn't have to organise this and school and Mrs Halliday kindly agreed to boil them at school.

Coronation Celebrations –

It has been agreed with school that this will take place on Friday 5th May although a time has still to be agreed as to when the picnic / afternoon tea can take place. We discussed with school our hopes / ideas to have:

Mug Tombola

Guess how many sweets in the jar

Sale of Ice lolly's & (or) buns with coronation toppers on.

Name the Bear

Charlotte said she would has her family member if they would donate sweets for the jar as they maybe able to source these through work.

Naomi has been able to get a replica of the design for the Kings head picture banner replicated and printed off onto A5 card and we can look at selling these for £1 so that families have a momento of this historical moment etc.

The committee are also looking at donating little activity packs for all the children as a momento of the Coronation (book marks, free colouring / work sheets etc).

Charlotte asked about the possibility of facepainting on the day – ND to check with school

The meeting then concluded after it was confirmed that the Easter raffle would be drawn on Thursday 30th March in conjunction with the bake sale.

The meeting concluded and the next meeting was arranged for Thursday 20th April at 7pm at Barlow Club.