

Cardinal Newman Parents Association

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 22nd June 2010

Attendance; Karen O'Neil, Audrey Manzi, Koren Forbes, Caroline Close, Bernadette Wood, Maria Hutton, Tanya Bruno Karen Tack, Catherine Milnes, Julia Viner, Kerry Kelly, Debbie O'Brien, Jill Keany

Apologies; Catherine McCormack

Review of Events

Audrey welcomed everyone to the meeting; and reviewed the last year, key points from this were:

- Karen and Audrey took over as Joint Chairs to the PA in July 2009
- Their first event was the Family Picnic in September, this was not a fund-raising event.
- The Fun Run in Kingston raised a little amount for the school but was generally missed by most people.
- The Christmas Bazaar went very well and was very well attended. A good fund raising event.
- The Parents Christmas Night out went well after a slow start. Everyone seemed keen to have this event again.
- The Valentine's Kids disco went well, all the kids enjoyed it.
- The Fashion Show in April was a lot of hard work went into and all the kids enjoyed taking part and attending. This could be an event every other year due to the amount of time and effort put into it
- The Circus, was a huge success with money raised on the ticket sales and stalls. Again a lot of hard work went into this event.
- Events coming up for the rest of the year are the Summer Fun Day and Partynite. All proceeds from these events will go to the PA.

Review of Budget

The Balance we have in the savings account is £3,349.90. The Balance in the main account is £16,204 this is after the Prayer Garden cheque for £12,000 has gone out.

Fund Raising for the last Year;

Summer Fair	£2,941.63
Christmas Bazaar	£3,208.49
Circus	£1,253.71
100 Club	£2,435
Party Night	£838.50

A special thank you to Stephanie Cook who raised £140 for the school on a cycle ride and £323.99 from the Fashion Night.

What the PA have purchased over the last year:

Christmas Pantomime for the Children, Kids Valentines Disco, Easter Eggs for Easter Hunt, updated/replaced the maths sacks, £12,000 for the prayer garden, 14 Visualisers for the school £3,500, 4 new gazebos and the Year 6 t-shirts, photograph & Leavers BBQ.

Review of PA

Audrey asked if anyone was interested in standing as Chair of the PA. Audrey and Karen were happy to continue and this was seconded by Bernadette Wood. Koren Forbes is happy to stand again as Secretary, Bernadette Wood seconded it. Debbie O'Brien is happy to stand as Treasurer, Bernadette Wood seconded it.

Plans for Events Next Year

Quiz Night planned for October 2010, when the new parents can attend.

It was suggested that each event has a working party of 2-3 people to that take sole responsibility for that event and supported by the PA, This is mainly to stop events being left to one person to run. This will be put on the agenda for the next PA meeting.

Update from Ms Keany

Ms Keany demonstrated the new visulisers for each class, this links up to white boards and computers, it also works as a magnifier, take pictures and video, create a spot light and do a reveal, annotate work. These are about £4,000 in total.

The prayer garden is coming along nicely. Ms Keany has asked the diocese if the garden could have a special blessing when the Pope visits, later in the year. April's family will be invited to the opening of the garden. Koren suggested letting off the Chinese lanterns and Caroline suggested that the family picnic is on the same day.

Ms Keany has asked that money now be raised to pay for new child-friendly micro-phones.

Ms Keany thanked everyone for all their help and support.

Any Other Business

Year 5, currently doesn't have a reps for either class, this will be added to this weeks newsletter.

Karen is happy to host the last PA Meeting on 14 July, at her house, for all current class reps and new class reps.

Audrey and Karen thanked everyone for all their help and support over the last year. They welcome all feedback on events but ask that any problems raised have some suggested solutions to help improve things.

Next meeting Wednesday 14th July 2010 – 8pm