

Crayke Home and School Association AGM

24/03/2025/ 15:30 / School staff room.

In Attendance

Emma Wilkinson, Jade Bunker, Becky Stubbins, Tom Ferreday, Coral Canning, Judi Jackson, Beth Leggott.

Apologies

Matt Balmforth, Katie Hunsdale, Hannah Davies, Jess Brown, Fiona Ankers, Katie Liddell, Tracey Swiers

Open

BS welcomed everybody and thanks for attending the meeting.

Agenda.

BS stated that there was no official agenda for this meeting but that we were meeting to discuss the potential Summer fair.

Overview of discussions

BS explained that we had created a Microsoft forms to highlight potential interest in the help with arranging a summer fair. She explained that we had 20 responses, 3 of these being from core committee members.

She explained that there was only a few who stipulated particular areas they would be able to support with the planning of the fair, and that a lot of the responses were that they were happy to help but in no particular area. Many of the other responses seemed to be offering help on the day rather than with the planning.

There was agreement that there was not enough support to easily plan a large scale summer fair. We discussed the comments and suggestions. It was agreed that even a smaller scale fair would involve a similar workload in terms of logistics, planning and practicalities.

We then discussed the suggestion of having a smaller scale "party on the playground". All agreed that this would be a suitable way forward to ensure that the children still had something fun to do. The estimated date of Thursday 3rd July and a backup date (in case of bad weather) of Thursday 10th July.

This will be a children's event and held after school and have a variety of small stalls. It was agreed that we couldn't have the sweetie jam jars as the glass jars would be too dangerous for children to be carrying around.

Discussions surrounding whether we keep the ticket price at £5 and encourage children to bring money to spend on the stalls, or whether we charge £10 per ticket with £5 worth of tokens included in the price, for inclusivity and to prevent children losing money, etc.

JB to create a poll to parents to see which approach they would prefer.

Discussed a donut included in the ticket as per the discos. JB highlighted that children may be getting bored of donuts and given it's a bigger event, could we offer hot dogs. Discussion between JB, BL and EW, and all agree this could be achieved between us.

All agreed that we would not seek to source a bouncy castle as it is too difficult to monitor safely but that we will continue with children's games (TF agreed to oversee again), stalls such as face paint, tombola's etc, music playing etc. All in agreement.

JB to create a WhatsApp group with those involved to facilitate arrangements.

JB to contact Tesco to ask for tombola donations.

BS mentioned whether we wanted to try for a summer auction to enable something for the parents to participate in. This is a lot of work for one person so help would be needed if we were to trial it. EW agreed to oversee this. JB, CC, BL all agreed to assist. TF will source voucher from piglets for one prize.

BS suggested different volunteer teams for each event. EW will ask Jess Brown and a couple of other volunteers (who put their names forward to help at the fair), if they would be happy to help with the summer auction instead. JB will lead on 'Party on the Playground' event with the help of other committee members, BL, CC and any others who would like to assist. Becky will plan and manage the Alne St fair donut stall with the help of Katie H.

From a Health and Safety POV, it was agreed that party on the playground would be an extension of the school day so no further risk assessments needed.

BS to create a communication to parents to highlight the plan, that we are not going ahead with the summer fair due to low uptake on volunteers but we will arrange party on the playground and summer auction in its place.

BS advised that a parent had offered to fund match a fundraising event again this year through their company, so we could possibly look to do this for Party on the Playground.

AOB

BL to take over tuck shop this Friday and review whether we commence with ice creams after half term or not.