

SELSIDE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

AGM MINUTES 18.09.18

Present - Mrs Sarah Coleman, Stephen Knowles, Jen Armistead, Julie Winn, Hannah Hayton, Paulene Ellwood

Welcome - Stephen Knowles (Chair) Welcomed everyone to the meeting

Apologies- Amy Cooper, Sarah Parish, Emma Whitehead, Tom McCormick

Stephen Knowles confirmed he was happy to continue as Chair, Emma Whitehead to continue as Treasurer. Position to be re-elected Secretary due to Sue McCormick standing down. Paulene Ellwood appointed as secretary.

News from the Head -

Mrs Coleman reported that the atmosphere is lovely in school and a great start has been had by all. The school feels very calm and the children happy. The new school website is now live, www.selside.cumbria.sch.uk. The frame is there but it is still being added to.

There have been 3 prospective families making appointments to visit the school looking to enrol for next September to reception. There have been discussions between the teaching staff to introduce stay and play sessions to encourage prospective families to visit the school. Everyone is looking to improve and encourage the image of the school and please pass on the positivity of the school by word of mouth.

P.E Provision. This year the school will be employing QKS P.E teacher Nikki Jones - who currently is working part time with QKS but will be also teaching years 3,4,5 ,and 6, handling sports related paperwork and organising the external competitions so the children can take part in such activities. Nikki along with the teaching staff is going to be looking at the current sports equipment and seeing what is needed to maximise the children's learning in this area.

Class 1 - Discussion's are in place with builders to install toilets in the cloakroom of the new classroom. This will help encourage independence as currently the location of the toilets to the classroom mean that this is difficult for younger and nursery children. The plumbing was installed when the new classroom was built.

We now have two nursery children (1 sibling and 1 new family), in January there will be a third child and there is another sibling who will join them into reception next September.

It was suggested that anyone who has contacts with Nurseries, especially Daises, Meadow View, Brantfield, Skelsmergh toddler group, act as a representative of the school and let them know the positive development s of Selside school and the new direction it has taken and to ask to leave leaflets (available from the office on Friday) with them for prospective parents to pick up. It is important to build relationships with these business's.

Leaflets also available to leave anywhere suitable including the Library, Hospital, SLDC, notice boards etc.... please just collect from the office as from Friday.

There is a small amount of budget available for outside playground equipment to replace the rotten wooden ones that were removed during the summer. Jen Armitsead and Anna Stevens are to discuss with Impact suppliers to what is available on the available budget. The children's suggestions will be taken into account where possible.

Social and Community -

Newsletters to be emailed to Lenore Knowles to ensure the link between the school and community strengthens. Mrs Coleman to ask Zoe to add to the mailing list.

UPCOMING EVENTS -

It was decided that due to the short notice, Oktoberfest was to be shelved for now, but that A German Themed Christmas Market take its place. This will be a family event at Selside Memorial Hall and involve the wider community. A date is to be decided but it is likely to start around 5pm. Details to be finalised at an informal meeting on Tuesday 16th October at 7.30 at Paulene and Steve Ellwoods to finalise the details. All are invited 32 Whitestiles, Kendal - 07779316965.

Hanson Brewery (Bowston) advertised Potter the Fell in Camera Magazine, which resulted in enquiries for bookings next year. Julie confirmed this should go ahead but would need to start the organising as early as November to increase the ticket sales.

FINANCIAL UPDATE -

Full Treasurers report unavailable - Congratulations Emma, Tom, Bowe and Rupert on the arrival of Monte.

Jen Confirmed that Potter the Fell raised £1,311.69 and will be match funded by Barclays.

Jen also confirmed spend last year -

£21.30 Fruit

£21.80 Field project

£103.93 Year 6 Books

£49.89 Easter

AOB -

Christmas Cards - Paulene to contact Ali Morris for contact details, suggestion that they take a different format this year. Suggestions welcome.

100 Club - Jen will be sending out forms for all to take part and invite family and friends to participate.

Next Meeting - SSA Meeting TBC

Meet for German Christmas Market - Tuesday 16th October

Meeting Close 9pm

