Welcome

Annmaree H.

School Prayer

Dear Lord, Bless our school that by working together and praying together we may learn to serve you and to serve one another. We ask this through Jesus and Mary. St. Benedict’s pray for us.

Present


Apologies

Cassie L, Jo R, Jo B, Dave B, Julia C.

Minutes from last meeting accepted as an accurate record

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Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Basketball ball tops for Hooptime were great. Barry confirmed shorts are also now available for the next session.

President’s report

- Fathers Day raffle hamper has been arranged via Graham Watt. Annmaree will be picking it up on 25th and will arrange for tickets and cover letter to go to families. We need a convenient place in the school to display prizes?
- Burwood Festival organisers have contacted Annmaree to see if St Bens would like to do a cake stall for a “Shopping day” they are having soon. It falls the last Sat of the holidays so, as a cake stall would be difficult, Annmaree requested that we do a sausage sizzle but the Lions club is already doing one so that’s not possible. They are a happy for us to do a cake stall at another stage.
- Pat D. is unable to organise the Poker Night. This event is lots of fun for the Dads so do we spread the net wider and get one of the Dads to organise?.

Principal’s Report

- Thank you to Jo B and the other parents for assisting with the lunch on St. Benedict’s Day.
- The recent Chinese student visitors received great support from our children.
- First Communion is coming up this weekend.
- Barry is obtaining quotes for a PA system – he will talk to Father Dave about the possibility of shared costs.
- The staff are quite keen for new furniture in the school – this could be a consideration for future P&F spending.
- There are currently approximately 22 preps enrolled for 2015.
The school will be involved in a program next year called “Kids Matter”. Three teachers attending development sessions next week. The program promotes kids' wellbeing and community involvement.

Dance Fever has been booked for 2015.

Human Sexuality Sessions have been booked for September.

Thank you to all parents who participated in the recent surveys.

Professional Development Day for teachers on 28 August – topic is MGL and their roles in the Parish.

Book Week next week – Students can dress up as their favourite character on Monday 25th August.

**Treasurer’s Report**
- The deposit for Fete rides has been paid.
- Giannina has provided an invoice for Crafty Madams items.

**Tuck Shop**
No report.

**Uniform Shop**
No report.

**Maintenance**
- Dave has met with Matt regarding the mini-golf project
- Dave asked if a working bee would be required prior to the Fair. All agreed a working bee should be held a week or two prior (note 21st November not possible during Grade 5/6 bowling evening).

**Grants Co-ordinator**
No report.

**Social Activities**

**Father’s Day Stall and Breakfast – Friday 5th September**
- Nicola has purchased Fathers Day Stall items – reconciliation will be completed once the stall has been held.
- Great response in RSVPs for the breakfast and plenty of helpers.
- Mass will follow straight after the breakfast.

**Parents Social Night at Fire Chief**
- Slow response at this stage
- Discussed whether people could pay on the night – however this isn’t possible for this event as we will need to pay for the number of people booked so will fall short if people do not turn up. Also wish to avoid money handling on the night.
- Barry will promote the event in the newsletter.
- Class reps will also be asked to promote the event with their classes.

**Grandparents Day – Friday 12th September**
- P&F arranging morning tea
- Children with grandparents or special friends present will share morning tea with them.
- Barry will ask teachers to ensure all students are involved in any performances.
Poker Night
♦ Sub-committee of dads is needed to organise.
♦ Annmaree will speak to Dave B and Brendan H.

Correspondence
No correspondence

General Business

First Communion
♦ Natalie Cossar has ordered a cake – Jackie to speak to Natalie regarding reimbursement.

Fete Update
♦ A dedicated email address for the Fete has been set up. stbensfete@gmail.com
♦ Raffle organisation is going to plan.
♦ Need to check if we require a generator.
♦ Chalk boards are being arranged for Stall Signage (Thanks to Cassie L’s father-in-law for arranging). These will be a long term investment. There are also signs and bunting left over from previous fairs and events that will be used.
♦ Donations are going well. Treats for Lucky Jars is complete. Mystery bottle collections underway with winning class to be announced this Friday 22nd.
♦ Printing – flyers are finalised and options for printing being explored.
♦ Advertising boards – will probably be done by MacIntosh First National – graphic being finalised.
♦ Spinning Wheel – hams – there is a parent in Grade 1 (Bill – Myria’s father) – Annmaree to approach regarding possibility of assisting with hams (and/or bacon for Fathers Day breakfast).
♦ Rides – GST may not be payable – Barry to investigate with the School's Accountants.
♦ Next Fete meeting is on Tuesday 26th August at 10.00am at Annmaree’s house.

Crafty Madams
♦ Annmaree to follow up with Cassie regarding expenses for Crafty Madams to gauge expenditure so far. Full reconciliation may not be completed until pricing is done.

New Business

Olga’s 20th Anniversary
♦ Friday 10 October.
♦ TOP SECRET!
♦ Olga will be invited to assembly with a morning tea for parents afterwards.
♦ Children to perform – Barry to speak to teachers
♦ The day will be a “Dress Up As Olga Day”
♦ Possibility of children forming a guard of honour up the driveway to the hall.
♦ Voula (Warrigal Rd) is celebrating her 21st anniversary this year so also will be invited and congratulated at the event.
♦ Note to go out to families in the last week of term 3 with reminder at the beginning of term 4.

Meeting closed 9.30pm
Next Meeting – Monday 15 September in the Staff Room.