



## **The Baston School PTA Meeting February 23rd 2022, The Black Horse, Baston**

Attendees: Emma Bush, Lucy Hartley, Clare Burke, Stephanie Musson, Christina Pitchford

**1. Welcome:** Emma thanked everyone for attending

**2. Apologies:** Yvonne Arnold, Jenny Godderidge, Vanessa Smith

**3. Approval of minutes from last meeting:** TBC

Sound system in place, cooker and hob in place, glockenspiels purchased and Christmas party all paid for.

*Many thanks to Santa Claus for visiting the children on Christmas Party Day.*

**4. Matters arising:**

**a. Items funded**

i. **Sports Week** - £1000 donated

ii. **Leaver book** – up to £300 to be donated

iii. **PE equipment** – spent ~£500

iv. **Literacy spine books** – paid ~£500

**b. Fundraising events terms 3 and 4**

i. Amazing Women gift Stall 17<sup>th</sup> March – **EB/LH leading**

ii. Spring Disco: 30<sup>th</sup> March. Disco booked. **EB will put a call out for helpers nearer the time.**

iii. Easter Fundraising – Sponsored Hopathon - 27-30<sup>th</sup> March, each child to receive bunny ears for the activity to be held in Fit in 15 time.

**5. Treasurer's Report:** Appended

**6. Pre-loved uniform:** Vanessa continues to manage this and all is going smoothly. Next sale planned for Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March after school.

**7. Tuck shop:** Clare runs this smoothly but will continue trying to get more volunteers to help on tuckshop days.

**8. Any other business:**

a. School celebrates its 30th anniversary in 2023 as well as the Coronation in May. Possible ideas include a bingo night.

b. EB provided information for planned refurbishment of the old school library and current storage room to be transformed in to a STEM zone and HIVE Room respectively. The STEM zone would allow combining of science, technology engineering and maths in a specially designed area. The HIVE room would be a SEND specific area. Plans are in discussion for funding opportunities to be submitted in the forthcoming months. (Detailed text appended)

c. CT informed the Committee of a forthcoming village music event in July, called "Baston Beats 2023". This event will take place over Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July where the Saturday will be a music festival, and Sunday will have an "open mic" session for children, all hosted by The White Horse, and all profits from beer

tent and BBQ sales will be donated to Don't Lose Hope charity. CT requested anyone who would like to volunteer to help manage the open mic on the day. SM volunteered.

**10. Date, time, venue of next meeting:** TBC

## **STEM Zone**

Being on a small site we have had to get creative in our use of space and love to take on a project. Several years ago we undertook the mammoth but hugely rewarding task of converting a disused double-decker bus into our new much-loved school library. This left behind a small room that is now crying out for its potential to be realised as an inspiring workspace for the school's children and staff to use.

We plan to create with the community a flexible and exciting STEM space to foster discovery, innovation and adventure and to inspire a passion for these subjects for life.

The design incorporates a learning wall with easy access storage, interactive white board, charging trolley for laptops and tablets. The design will include multiple use seating.

Combining STEM subjects in this space will help our pupils understand and be inspired by how these subjects support each other, allowing better engagement and consolidation of their learning. All equipment will be easily and safely stored allowing teachers easy access to items needed for lessons whilst facilitating the transition between STEM subjects to run smoothly.

Crucially the zone will also be an access point for safer internet information making the conversation about online safety an intrinsic element of the children's learning.

The STEM zone layout will enable the flexibility of working independently, in small or larger break out group encouraging the children to become creative thinkers and problem solvers. The space will also develop the children's curiosity and enthusiasm for STEM roles in the wider world, for example Programmers – Astronauts – Chefs – Architects – Analysts – Developers – Physicists, allowing the children to imagine themselves in these important and exciting roles in the future nurturing the passion for these subjects for girls and boys moving forward.

## **HIVE Room**

We will create an inclusive, safe space in which to learn and that supports the children attending our school with SEND needs. An ideally sized room, currently storing learning equipment, which will be re-located to the STEM zone, will be used for the HIVE room.

We will create a calming, safe area to help children across the school develop their speech and language and encourage independent learning. At the present time only sections of corridors are available for this purpose and so in a designated room, with no through traffic distractions all children with SEND needs will benefit greatly.

By including appropriate seating and table space, the children can relax, have some time out as needed, before re- engaging.

This space will also hold all the documentation required by the SEND support team.

We will need to change the solid wooden door in this room for safeguarding purposes to have a glass panel in it and add carpet and heating.

Following the return to school due to the COVID pandemic, which caused two years of disruption for all children, schools nationwide have seen an increase in the need for specially designated areas to help the children and our school is no different. This space will be of great benefit to all that use it and help our children to flourish.



## BASTON SCHOOL PTA EVENT REPORT



### EVENT - RAINBOW RAFFLE

**Drawn Wednesday 14 December 2022**

Tickets sold online and in person between 15 November and 12 December 2022

Tickets £1 each (2000 purchased).

Prizes mainly donated on dress down day, plus donations from Chapel Motors, Tropic Skincare.

Made up into 7 coloured boxes (White, Brown, Orange, Green, Purple, Red, Blue)

One book of tickets sent home per family.

522 tickets sold

225 unsold books in PTA hands

#### Volunteers required

1/2 to collect donations and assemble boxes

1/2 to set up and coordinate online sales

1/2 to sell tickets

1 to draw raffle

#### Summary of accounts

<b>Sales</b>	
Online ticket sales (less fees) (125 sold online)	£120.59
Cash ticket sales	£397.00
	<b>£517.59</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Raffle tickets (2000)	£44.00
Tissue paper	£9.80
Tinsel	£13.28
Additional prizes	£6.55
	<b>£73.63</b>
<b>Total Profit</b>	<b>£443.96</b>



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### EVENT - TUCK SHOP

#### TERMS 1 & 2 - SEPTEMBER TO DECEMBER 2022

Tuck shop is run most Fridays.

Cups of fruit/cereal are 20p each and items are donated by parents.

#### Volunteers

6 for running

34 for donating, on a rota

Could do with more volunteers for running tuckshop on a Friday morning.

#### Summary of accounts

<b>Sales</b>	
Cash taken	<b>£237.58</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Initial supplies	£7.30
<b>Total Profit</b>	<b>£230.28</b>



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### EVENT - WREATH MAKING

**31 NOVEMBER 2022**

Tickets sold online between 14 November and 29 November 2022

ticket sales - 19 @ £20 each

#### Volunteers required

2/3 for foraging and ordering supplies  
At least 2 for set up and clear up.

#### Summary of accounts

<b>Sales</b>	
Online ticket sales (less fees)	<b>£366.95</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Wreath making supplies	£188.94
Barn Hire	£30.00
Biscuits and Mince pies	£11.05
	<b>£229.99</b>
<b>Total Profit</b>	<b>£136.96</b>

NOTE SOME SUPPLIES LEFT FOR POTENTIAL USE NEXT YEAR



## BASTON SCHOOL PTA EVENT REPORT



### EVENT - DISCO

**1 DECEMBER 2022**

Tickets sold online between

Online ticket sales: 136

R to Year 3: 85

Year 4 to 6: 51

#### Volunteers

At least 3 for tattoos.

1 for door

At least 3 for sweets.

At least one teacher.

#### Summary of accounts

<b>Sales</b>	
Online ticket sales (less fees)	£248.40
Cash ticket sales	£387.35
	<b>£635.75</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
DJ	£90.00
Sweets	£164.66
Tattoos and Face Paint	£77.75
Storage box for Tattoos	£7.98
	<b>£340.39</b>
<b>Total Profit</b>	<b>£295.36</b>