



Bishop Wood School Association

AGM - 17th October 2023 7.30pm

Agenda

1. Welcome - Chair
2. Buddy Committee Update:

2022-2023 Buddies Committee Members:

Chair	Nicola Baker
Vice Chair	Alma Robertson-Chard
Secretary	Esther Matthews
Treasurer	Cara Swain
Committee	Emma Wild, Angela Warburton, Annette Webbley, Charlie Ottwrim, Charlotte Thom, Harriet Stephenson, Louisa Marriott, Louise Gibson, Mel Hands, Fey Bates, Zoe Finch (Teacher Rep)

Retirements from the 2023-2024 Committee

Buddies - Helen Button, Claudine McIntosh,

Welcome to new 2023-2024 Buddies Committee members (including those who joined during the 2021-2022 year):

Buddies - Daliah Gross

Nominees for key roles (Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Teacher Rep)

3. Buddies' aims for 2023-2024 - Chair & Gary Stanley
4. Financial Report - Treasurer and update on each of the 2022-2023 Events & Activities

2022	Year group discos Christmas Market Christmas Cards Wreath Making
2023	School Discos Quiz night - cancelled Rock n Roll Bingo - Cancelled Summer Fair Moving on Up Disco
Ongoing	Valentine's Day / Mother's Day / Father's Day gifts etc. Clothing bin, printer cartridges, pre-love uniform sales

5. 2023-2024 Buddies Events & Activities Calendar
6. AOB
7. Set Next Buddies Meeting

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Minutes

Attendees :	Nicola Baker	Louisa Marriott
	Alma Robertson Chard	Cara Swain
	Zoe Finch	Harriet Stephenson
	Esther Matthews	Louise Gibson
	Emma Wild	Angela Warburton

Apologies :	Gary Stanley
	Mel Hands
	Fey Bates
	Annette Webbley

1. Welcome - Chair

2. Buddy Committee Update:

a. 2023-2024 Buddies Committee Members:

- i. Chair Nicola Baker
- ii. Vice Chair Alma Robertson-Chard
- iii. Secretary Esther Matthews
- iv. Treasurer Cara Swain
- v. Committee Emma Wild, Angela Warburton, Annette Webbley, Charlie Ottwrim, Charlotte Thom, Harriet Stephenson, Louisa Marriott, Louise Gibson, Mel Hands, Fey Bates, Zoe Finch (Teacher Rep)

b. Retirements from the 2023-2024 Committee

- i. We say goodbye and thank you to Helen Button and Claudine McIntosh.
- ii. Welcome to new Dahlia Gross, our first new 2023-2024 Buddy.

- c. **Nominees for key roles** (Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Teacher Rep)
NEW CHAIR AND SECRETARY ARE STILL OUTSTANDING - New volunteers are required to shadow the roles this year in readiness for next year.

3. Buddies' aims for 2023-2024

An email was read out on behalf of Gary Stanley. Last year's fundraising paid for a new set of 30 laptops with their own charging box that the classes share. Each laptop is numbered and a child is assigned a number so they can pick up all their work from the point that they left it. This cuts down a lot of login time and has proved to work incredibly well. The charging box is on wheels and can be moved from class to class with ease.

The proposed spend for funds raised in 2023/24 are on the second phase of the woodland outdoor climbing area and to complete the pond area which was started in 2019. This would enrich outdoor learning. Also the visualisers that the teachers use daily are broken or in a bad state of repair and need replacing. These are a sought after tool for teachers and they can lay a piece of work on the visualiser, amend it and the amendment can be seen on the screen by all children.

4. Financial Report - Treasurer and update on each of the 2023-2024 Events & Activities

- a. **2022**
 - School Discos
 - 1. Christmas Market
 - 2. Christmas Cards
 - 3. Wreath Making
- b. **2023**
 - School Discos
 - 1. Quiz night
 - 2. Pizza Making
 - 3. Rock n Roll Bingo - Cancelled
 - 4. Summer Fair
 - 5. Moving on Up Disco
 - 6. Valentine's Day / Mother's Day / Father's Day gifts etc.
- c. **Ongoing**
 - Clothing bin, printer cartridges, pre-love uniform sales

5. 2023-2024 Buddies Events & Activities Calendar - Proposed Dates

10Nov23	Whole School Disco
29Nov23	Wreath Making
01Dec23	Christmas Market
18Dec23	Church Christmas Service
19Jan23	Whole School Disco
08Mar23	Mothers Day
15Mar23	Whole School Disco
18May23	Summer Fair
12July23	Moving On Up

It was decided to cancel Pizza Making, Valentines Sweets, Fathers Day and any other adult only events as they are not well supported or do not make enough money for the effort required.

6. AOB

A new uniform person is required, someone to sort and look after stock who can call on a couple of people to help at uniform sales.

EW raised the question of storage and whether some of the Buddies fundraising can be used to purchase new storage. Currently there are 4 storage areas for Buddies stuff, one of them in Chair Nicola's loft and this needs to be consolidated to one place that is dry and safe. All Buddies to think and investigate options here to see if a cheap solution can be made.

EM raised the issue of subscription donations. She asked if we could explore the option of people making a monthly donation to the Buddies through a direct debit to boost the profits. People are busy and don't attend functions anymore so this is a good way of them donating without having to give up their time. Vote was taken and it was unanimous to take this further as soon as possible, preferably before December when money is tighter.

7. Set Next Buddies Meeting

1st November 2023

