

Community Forum Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 10th May 2016

Present:

M. Patel (Audley) Cllr Y. Janvirmani Cllr A. Humphrys S. Khan (IMO) B. McDonald (IMO)
A. Gibbons (PREVENT) Cllr Z. Khan D. Atkinson (BCHS) S. Hussain (Chair) (BCHS)
H. Patel (BCHS) M. Rathore (BCHS) G. Booth (BCHS) D. Estill J. Carne. S. Patel & Imran.

Apologies:

M Kamaluddin (PREVENT) S. Aldred. A. Dean. E. Norman. I Hashem. J Rogers. N. Chester
Cllrs S Sidat A Mulla M Desai

Item	Discussion	Action
WELCOME	<p>S. Hussain welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked everyone for giving up their valuable time.</p> <p>Apologies but as the note taker was unavailable the minutes of this meeting are incomplete</p>	
MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING		
SAFER GIVING AND POTENTIAL FRAUDS DURING RAMADAN	<p>A. Gibbons addressed the group on Safer giving and potential Frauds. It was established that local Mosques have a duty and they check all the paperwork. They encourage the public to be aware that if people knock on your door asking for money they do not give them any money unless the collector has the official letter and correct identification.</p>	
GUIDELINES FOR PROCEDURES DURING RAMADAN	<p>S. Hussain shared school's Guidelines for Ramadan.</p> <p>Ramadan begins Monday after Spring Bank and we are conscious of the impact it will have on our students, particularly the key stage 4 students who will be sitting their formal GCSE examinations.</p> <p>As a school we have a significant number of students who will be fasting.</p> <p>Prior to Ramadan we have assemblies on healthy eating and Ramadan which give key messages regarding fizzy drinks and foods which should be avoided. We also guide them in the foods they should be consuming. We also incorporate acts of kindness and helping each other in the assemblies. We also try to give</p>	

	<p>advice and guidance to the students on keeping up with their sleep by advising a nap after Mosque or at some time during the evening. We do all we can to support students and families during what can be a challenging time due to them sitting formal examinations.</p> <p>SHN shared the leaflet we give to students and asked for input as to how we might improve it. Behaviour could be considered with guidance given to make allowances for students who may behave differently because they haven't eaten all day.</p> <p>It would be useful to maybe incorporate some advice on being a good neighbour and not being a nuisance on the streets as we do get more complaints at this time of year.</p> <p>We are trying as part of Community Cohesion to get the key messages out there.</p> <p>Every year before Ramadan a Stay Safe during Ramadan campaign takes place which links with the Fire Service. The message is very similar to the BCHS leaflet.</p>	<p>Copy to be sent to B Wilcock.</p>
<p>UPDATE ON COMMUNITY EVENTS IN SCHOOL.</p>	<p>H Patel told the meeting that the English classes are very successful and the ladies are doing really well. We are doing some speaking and listening activities and more ladies are joining. We are going to carry on after September.</p> <p>We are starting a gardening club, hopefully on the terrace, and leaflets have been sent out.</p> <p>We have a community visit and coffee morning for the older people of Shadsworth, Whitebirk and Audley on Thursday 12th May.</p> <p>There is a fund available and contact details have been given but, as yet, no contact has been made.</p> <p>Yasmin at CBS can also be contacted for access to a small grant.</p> <p>H. Patel has been to see the Old People's Forum, people are coming in from Pringle St and Age Concern and hopefully it will be a really good event.</p> <p>The initial meeting is a fact finding meeting and they will be shown around school and then have a coffee morning.</p> <p>We are celebrating the Queen's Birthday on Friday afternoon. We will be having a 'royal Garden Party' and everyone is invited. Please confirm your attendance to enable us to adjust</p>	<p>H. Patel will</p>

	<p>the catering requirements. We have planned an Eid meal after Ramadan for both students and staff and members of the meeting are also welcome to join us.</p>	<p>ensure everyone is emailed the information</p>
<p>COMMUNITY COLLABORATION.</p>	<p>SHN stated that we, as a school, are very keen to work with the local community and asked if there was anything planned which we could support or assist with.</p> <p>The Inter-Faith Forum has already had many interactions with school and hopefully this will continue and expand. The Hillside's resident group are about to 'Beautify a back street' and some BCHS students are involved in this. This is just one initiative but students are encouraged to get involved with any and all of these community ventures. SHN is very keen to support this.</p> <p>Support with the litter pick mentioned in the last minutes was offered.</p> <p>SHN pointed out that we have 47 different languages in school which gives an idea of the diversity of BCHS which is still one of the few Community schools in BwD and we are very active in and keen to promote all the things we have in common rather than our differences.</p> <p>Cllr Humphreys informed the meeting that during the last election campaign we identified 360 families from Easter Europe who don't speak English and we will be sending literature to them about how to get involved with the community they live in.</p> <p>During Ramadan a Road Safety campaign takes place and we could incorporate this into school.</p>	
<p>A.O.B</p>	<p>Restorative Justice meeting on 15th July and BCHS is the first school in BwD to offer Restorative Justice.</p>	