

H.S.A Fundraising Goals:

£2000

The Solar Project

£5000

Learning Resource Centre

Diary Dates

13 November

Gift and craft sale

17 November

HSA meeting

23 November

School board meeting

12 December

Film night

16 December

Fundraising Auction Dinner

Welcome all our readers to this new edition of the Stanborough Primary School H.S.A. newsletter. First I would like to thank everyone who has supported the H.S.A. in the past year, whether it was by attending our meetings, helping out or taking part at events. I hope you will continue to support us as we embark on the new school year. I am pleased to be heading a group of enthusiastic individuals and together we look forward to continuing the excellent work started by the outgoing Committee headed by Mrs. Barbara Lawrence. We hope to organise a wide range of fundraising events which will have a little something for everyone. The newsletter will provide a calendar of events, items of interest and opportunities to support the school by helping the H.S.A. raise the much needed funds to meet the various projects.

Remember, *Isaiah 26v3*, "You, Lord, give perfect peace to those who keep their purpose firm and put their trust in you." (T.E.V)

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter and we look forward to seeing you at the next event.

Thank you

Linet (H.S.A. Chairperson)

Craft & Gift Sale

Great items, Great prices

All funds raised will be donated to HSA



A note from the Ms Hanson:

As a school, we are hoping to develop a Learning Resource Centre, to house a new library and computer suite. In addition, we hope to incorporate a renewable energy project within the plans, towards developing our status as an eco-friendly school. We very much appreciate the dedication of the HSA Committee, who is working extremely hard to plan events that will help us realise our goals. This is a great opportunity for us to come together as a school community, to achieve something that we can all be proud of and that will be of practical benefit to all of the children at the school. I would encourage us all to support the events with our skills, time and means as appropriate.

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<http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/stanboroughsch>

Stanborough Primary School Alumni Association

The H.S.A would love to kick off this year with the development of an Alumni Association. We are looking to grow a database of both current and past students, who would like to keep in touch with 'old' friends, teachers and classmates, as well as being informed of new projects and developments at Stanborough Primary School.

An Alumni membership form is now available at the school Reception, and we would encourage all current students to register and complete a form. If you also know of any past students, friends or family members who would also like to be part of the Association, please do pass a registration form on so that we can include them in our database also.

Please return your completed form to the School Secretary or Emma Stickland.

A Constitution Matters

So what is all this fuss about the Constitution and what is it? Well, the constitution is the document that lays out the rules for the operation of our HSA. It spells out the name and purpose of our HSA, establishes the method of management, and established the guidelines for implementing the decisions of the HSA. It also sets out the working relationship of the organization between its officers, memberships and other groups or parties with which it is affiliated.

This may sound a little too formal so why do we really need one? Simply put, it allows us to explain what the organization is about and how we "do the business" of the HSA. It allows us the basis by which we resolve internal problems that may arise in a consistent, organized manner according to the guidelines accepted by the group. In essence, a constitution is "the law" of our HSA and becomes the internal authority for conflict resolution.

There is another significant reason for the need of an association constitution.

If our HSA wishes to apply for charitable status and receive the benefits which would follow a constitution would be required.

The newly elected Officers and Committee of the HSA considered that there was a need for the existing constitution to be reviewed and updated to create a forum of certainty and clarity. This was identified as a necessity following the Annual General Meeting in September. The amended constitution currently rests with the Stanborough School Board for final approval. Once the constitution is approved it will be made available to members either on the HSA section of the Stanborough School website or by making a request to the HSA Secretary.

A final thought: Our new constitution provides you, both as members and the electorate, with a mechanism to participate in the HSA and assist in developing a clear mandate working with the committee to achieve our goals for the benefit of our children. We can only achieve this with your support.

meet the 2009 h.s.a team

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