North Cerney School Association

Thursday 30th April 2026 Bathurst Arms

Present	Lynsey Jess Heather Erica Mrs Livermore
Apologies	

Item 1 - Welcome and Attendance

Item 2 – Outdoor Area Improvements - Budget Allocation
£1000 budget approved for EYFS outdoor enhancements

1. Focus on reception/early years covered outdoor space
2. Current issues: small, damp area that gets waterlogged due to unsealed canopy connection. Long-term goal: L-shaped covered area around Kingfishers classroom

Priority purchases agreed in principle complete list to follow:

- Rainbow PVC strip curtains (weather barrier) - £578 for 1.1m x 2m
  - Will self-install rather than use Sovereign Playground Design quote
  - Parents with construction skills volunteered to help
- Art bench/workstation - £184 (multifunctional, 600mm depth)
  - Need to measure space first to confirm fit
- Balance scales for outdoor play - £150
- Tire and plank construction set for loose parts play
- Tactile stones with numbers/shapes - £39
- Child yard brushes (pack of 4) - £18

Action: Mrs Livermore to send full list.
Action: Erica to investigate family members to support with construction.

Event Planning Updates:

Summer disco postponed

- Scheduling conflicts with sports day (May 22nd half-term)
- Residential trip June 10-12 creates additional constraints
- May move to winter term instead
- Alternative: ice cream social for summer

Duck race confirmed for June 11th

- Equipment stored at committee member's house
- Simplified format this year

Sports day preparations:

- Gazebos needed for shade (multiple parents have them)
- Drinks service deemed too logistically complex
- Focus on providing shade for children and spectators

School Communication and Volunteer Opportunities
Identified gaps in parent engagement:

- Volunteer reading program exists but not well-advertised
- Parents unaware of opportunities to help with activities
- Need better communication of skill-based volunteer needs

Proposed improvements:

- Create parent skills database
- Regular newsletter items about volunteer opportunities
- Structured approach to matching parent skills with school needs.

6. Next Meeting
Date: To be confirmed. 4th June 7 pm