

Parent's Representatives Meeting

Date: 29.4.15

Present : SM, MW, NW, MF, DS, JO'L, CM, FE KH, AH, SW, KP

Apologies:

1. Uniform:

The uniform will remain as green due to requests from parents to keep our identity, although a brighter green is being considered.

This will be for jumpers and cardigans. Dresses will be the same green and polo shirts white only. Hopefully the final decision will be made in time for September for the new intake. Other years to change when children outgrow their old uniform. The PTA may be able to help with funding. Mrs Williamson is still working on where to source the most economic uniform.

Action: SW

2. Mobile contact numbers have been received and passed on to the relevant reps for each year group. A reminder will be put onto the website.

Action: AH

3. Staffing: Year 2 parents are already aware that Mrs Gransbury and Mrs Lovell are teaching in this year. There are 3 new members of staff starting in September:

Mr Stanyon KS2

Miss Bransby KS1

Miss Scudder KS2

The new staff is a mixture of new and more experienced. It is not yet known which classes they will be covering.

4. A request was made for any-one willing or able to run an after school club for construction/building. If any-one could help, please contact Mrs Hamilton.

5. Year groups discussed items relevant to them:

Year R: Parents are happy and enjoyed their visit to church. Rewards were discussed and whether there could be awards for things other than attendance e.g. Trophies. The problem with these is getting them returned. The possibility of badges was discussed, also the possibility of linking celebration assembly with parent class assembly. Certificates are regularly given for good work and behaviour (class ambassador) and a voucher awarded for 100% attendance.

Action: staff

Year 1 Parent asked if we are still reinforcing "stop it I don't like it" for unwanted behaviours. Mrs Williamson said this was not as popular with older children as they felt it was childish. At present it is still being used until a better alternative is found and posters will be put up around school. Any change to this policy will require ratification from governors.

Newsletters will be going out monthly in retrospect as weekly ones are a huge time commitment.

Action: SW & AH

A parent asked if there was rotation in clubs where numbers were limited specifically gardening. Numbers and age are limited because of necessary supervision of the use of tools.

If there are any parents who would be willing to help on a regular basis, then the numbers could be increased. This will be suggested via the parent rep texting system.

Action: Parents Reps

There will be a chance next term for the children to meet their new teachers prior to September. This will be made known once a timetable has been confirmed. One parent mentioned that if Mrs Paskhin has the current Year 4 next year it would be their 4th time with her. At present the staff changes have not been shared until everything is finalised.

Action: SW

Year2: Parents reported they are very happy with increased communication between staff in the class and parents. Generally there is support for the extra work the children are being asked to do to improve results. It was requested that after SATS, recognition be given to all for the extra efforts and hard work.

Action: TL & ZG

Year3: It was requested that a hand out be prepared for parents of KS1 and KS2 parents who are unable to attend the maths sessions.

Action: Mrs Hamilton/ Mrs Garrett

There is some confusion over spelling tests. Some children are doing the same spelling if they only get one wrong. Year4 asked if they are still being done. Will to be brought up in a staff meeting for clarification.

Action: KH

Parents asked for some clarification as to who is teaching the class on a Thursday and Friday, is it Mrs M^cCormack? Clarification to be sought.

Action: KH

Years 5 and 6: had no questions to ask.

6. The PTA requested that when children from school participate in matches and tournaments, could they please wear the new kit that has been purchased for them as it gives a good impression.

Action: KH

7. One parent mentioned that she had been told by a neighbour that the Open Day for prospective parents had seemed very chaotic. Maybe on future occasions the Parents Reps could be involved in making this session very welcoming. It was also suggested that some promotional work could be done with pre-schools to encourage parents to come and view us. Again parent reps would be pleased to do this.

Action: KH to discuss with SW

A.O.B? Nothing reported

Meeting ended: 15:00

Date of next meeting: **Monday 8th June 2015 2pm in the mobile**