

Parent/Class Rep Meeting

Monday 25th September 2017

Present: Nicola Quibell, Emma Slade, Anna Gopalan, Lisa Seddon, Kate Craddock, Jess Page Mendoza, Ellie Allery, Emma Weston
Sophie Frommholz (Deputy Headteacher)

Agenda item		Action
Shared Vision and Values	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SF shared our school vision statement along with the purpose. Explained that we are spending time in assemblies and in class focusing on these values and their importance. 	
Facebook Page	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It has been suggested before that each year group facebook page has a staff member attached to be able to answer any queries that may arise. Some parents were concerned that others may not be comfortable with this but it was agreed that there should not be anything on this page that was offensive! It was suggested that Fenella was attached to all facebook pages but only in a way that she could be tagged when there was a question relevant to school that she could answer. 	SF will speak to Fenella and also see how we could set this up with facebook.
Toast	<p>Concerns over children choosing toast rather than fruit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SF explained that a few years ago we were advised by Healthy Schools that toast is a better choice than fruit. Discussed the occasional problem with money going missing or children losing their money. SF advised parents to speak to teachers directly if this was the case and teachers can support. 	
Jubilee High visit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can parents please be informed before any talks to children by secondary schools? 	Will liaise with office and make sure we do this.
Homework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some Year 6 parents not too keen on the change to setting of homework. Liked the previous style of each piece separate. SF explained that we do this so that children can do it either at the weekend or in the week. Always let us know if homework is taking longer than planned – we do only expect the children to do the homework for the expected time. Some year groups need to make differentiation clear on their maths homework tasks. 	Homework instructions sheet to include a sentence about the time limit and that children can spend longer if they choose.
Year 4 and streaming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 4 parent concerns that children will no longer be mixed across the year group for streaming or otherwise. Parents had been concerned about mixing classes anyway but had been reassured by streaming of Maths and SPaG. SF explained that this had been a decision made at the beginning of term and both Year 3 and 4 are working with class maths and English. This has been proved to be more effective than streaming in some cases. Also trying to lessen the gap between higher and lower ability children. 	WBJS will monitor how this is going and will ask for parent feedback later in the year.
Year 4 - homework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents concerned about Year 4 homework. Want to ensure that they know which parts of the maths homework children need to complete. Even if all are given the same homework sheet, just need to be clear which parts they are expected to achieve in the time given. 	Concerns fed back to Year 4 teachers – will aim to ensure that expectations are clear for every child.

Water Bottles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents know it is hard but asked if teachers can encourage children to drink wherever possible. 	
Lunchtime	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some children are not finishing their lunch when they have clubs – can teachers please ensure the children come out of class on time. 	
Chocolate in lunchboxes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is some confusion about chocolate in lunchboxes and what is allowed. 	SF will check our expectations and ensure this is sent out to parents. Lunchtime staff reminded too.
Dates	<p>Meeting Dates for Autumn and Spring term</p> <p>Monday 13th November 2017 9am Monday 5th February 2017 9am Monday 23rd April 2017 9am</p> <p>Agendas will be sent out on the Wednesday prior to the meeting. Please can they be returned by the Friday 9am.</p>	

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