



Parents Forum Minutes 4

Thursday 4th July 2019 at 1.15PM

1.15 - 1.25	<p>Minutes from previous meeting and actions</p> <p>Action: All minutes from last 4 meetings and any outstanding actions to be checked at the next meeting</p>	
1.25 - 1.30	<p>Parent Forum Website photos/Terms of reference outstanding</p> <p>Terms of references all checked.</p> <p>Mrs Pindoria asked parents to send their photos to her so that they could be added to the website.</p> <p>Action: Parents to send Mrs Pindoria photos</p> <p>Class representatives list will also be updated as the pupils move to the next year group.</p> <p>Action: Mrs Pindoria to add new list to the website</p>	
1.30 - 2.00	<p>Carnival feedback/things to consider for next year</p> <p>Mrs Pindoria thanked parents for their time and help with the Carnival.</p> <p>Parents said the carnival was a great success and they thoroughly enjoyed it.</p> <p>Parents suggested that carnival could be even better if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Either there were food stalls with dried goods or home cooked food. • Parents could sell food tokens beforehand so that they knew how much food to make on the day. • There had been better advertising and promotion of carnival. • There were more stalls in general. • Parents that were helping could have come early to set up. • Parents had been charged £1 entry on the door to raise more funds. • There had been a range of cultural dances that parents could come in and teach. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents could have run small workshops such as carnival costume making and then children could have showcased their talents. <p>Action: Mrs Pindoria to discuss these with MR Barr and we can hopefully accommodate some of these ideas at the next carnival.</p> <p>Members of the parent forum requested to be notified how the money raised from the Carnival events would be spent.</p> <p>Action: Mrs Pindoria to speak to Mr Barr and inform the parent forum.</p>	
2.00 - 2.45	<p>Mrs Mentore in to talk about Home Learning</p> <p>Mrs Mentore talked about how home learning looks different in different countries.</p> <p>How much time should children spend on homework? There is actually no direct allowance.</p> <p>Homework should be: Meaningful, make a difference, be stress free and in still discipline.</p> <p>Schools new home learning policy was shared:</p> <p>Years 1 – 6 will set the following pieces of homework:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spellings – these will be taught and tested, they do not need to write out sentences. Reading every day – completing the reading record Maths – focus on fluency Year 2 and 6 will send CGP homework once a week (reading and maths) Three Choice Challenge – Key Stage 1 Six Choice Challenge – Key Stage 2 Tasks will be centred on skills or knowledge essential for the curriculum. Choice Challenge Sheets are given out the week before the holiday, this allows parents to work on the projects in the holiday if they choose to. There will be a celebration of home learning on the last Thursday of the term. 	
2.45 - 3.10	<p>What has worked well with the forum? What can we improve for next year?</p> <p>All who attended said they were very happy that a forum had been started at the school.</p> <p>It had given parents a voice and a place to talk about school issues.</p> <p>Considerations for next year: Could there be a better day and time to run the forum so that more parents are able to attend?</p>	

	<p>Action: Mrs Pindoria to send out a questionnaire in the Autumn term to see if more parents would like an alternative time and date for the meeting.</p>	
3.10 - 3.15	<p>AOB (Any Other Business)</p> <p>Mrs Atkinson showed parents the new school website.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parents to use Google translate - Word of the week is now in the running banner that is on the home page. Encourage children to use the word in their writing. - Any notices about school closures will be shown on the home page banner. - Parents can subscribe to newsletters by entering email address and ticking the box at the bottom of the home page - The calendar will be updated with events regularly. <p>Sports day: Parents requested if they could come and run a refreshments stall for sports day. Action: Mrs Pindoria to inform parents in advance of sports day dates so that parents can organise the refreshments stall.</p> <p>School trips: Parents requested if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School trips could be on Fridays - Parents can choose the trips the children go on. - There could be one main trip that the children look forward too. - Parents could fundraise to help fund trips. - Parents could have a year group trip overview so that they can budget for trips. <p>Action: Mrs Pindoria to discuss with SLT and inform parents at the next meeting.</p>	

Next meeting TBC