

Parent Forum Minutes - 30th June 2021

Present: MS, RL, EH, KA, AS, JK, JC, TK

Apologies: LT, LB, DC

Attendees

Eleanor Harrison

Kate Apps

Anna Stopes

Josie Knight

Jo Carter

Rebecca Leach

Louisa Thomas: – Sent apologies

Lisa Bashford :– Sent apologies

- Explanation of what Parent Forum is – being a voice for the parents and represent your child's class
- Previous mtg date – February 2020
- Possible focus for Autumn term - Road safety – Zebra crossing discussion, raise awareness of speed through the village **Action:** Autumn meeting agenda
- Return in September – BTS have remained cautious throughout so that we don't have to change plans at the last minute. We will try and put in place what we can to help the transition to next year. Will try and bring back assemblies/Family groups. Reception reading books – tricky using electronics to read. Hopefully guidance will change so books can start to go home.
- Some things will remain in place - Drop off in the morning has been successful
- Suggestions for the future - An open day, face to face contact, photo of the class teacher/staff to prepare him/her for the next year, fly on the wall day,
- **Action:** Request a similar transitional document for children going into Year 1 and 2 in September?
- In reception folders of learning development will go home. Yr1 upwards Maths/Eng books do not go home, Topic books do.
- Parents to check emails aren't going into junk
- Lovely that pre-school is on site – helps with transition.
- Face to face meetings are allowed – make a call to the office and make appointment.
- Queuing etiquette at the front of school – patience, 'we are all adults and ought to be able to be polite without needing reminders' **Action:** Reminder in newsletter? Poster able etiquette on gate?
- Masks – **Action:** reminder to follow protocol for the lane – social distance with masks on site TK
- Mental health – We currently promote well-being throughout the school – Thrive approach embedded
- Made a difference for parents this year– photos, Father's Day etc... **Action:** Share this positive feedback with the teachers
- New parents to the school have not been able to meet staff, other parents and get to know the school on a personable level **Action:** Plan ways to address this from September – consider the experience of pre-school and reception families and factor this in
- 2 week half term – positives – transition mention this...
- Holiday club in the summer – There isn't any this year, we have looked into it but the previous provider isn't available this year. To run with our own staff, impacts on the work based level of our staff. EH has sent to families some local clubs, **Action:** TK to email them out - Holiday club – **Action:** update for the newsletter TK
- Top 3 ideas that you would like to see happen in school next term – think of how to connect with parents **Action:** parent forum members to seek views by end of term – possibly send forms questionnaire out?

Next meeting Date TBC (September 2021)