



## Parent Forum

Minutes for the meeting held on  
 Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September @ 5.30pm

Present:

Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Leadership
	Sam Cross Jen Parker Lauren Hilton	Claire Lawton	Kimi Ebisine Pip Williams				Suzy Wright Kim Parry

Item	Information	Actions
<b>1</b>	<b>Welcome</b>	
	Apologies from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kim Parry</li> </ul>	
<b>2</b>	<b>Update on:</b>	
<b>2a</b>	<b>Actions arising from the last meeting</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any parent reps who haven't shared their photos / bio for the website to do so asap. - <b>awaiting some photos- all sent photos and bios on the website</b></li> <li>Promote cycling / scooting as this is limited as a mode of transport.</li> <li>School will be exploring a guided walk from the park and stride. - <b>awaiting confirmation from Luke Hughes (HCC)</b></li> <li>Current communication to be explored regarding clubs and how this can be adapted to ensure all information is shared. - <b>in discussion with the office for the best way to share the information</b></li> <li>Dolce have been asked to arrange a parent meeting to meet the Dolce team and taste some of the food etc.</li> </ul>	
<b>2b</b>	<b>Travel Planning Update</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updates continue to be chased, but further improvements are very reliant on the local council.</li> <li>The school has received a bronze award for travel planning and continues to strive for further improvements.</li> <li>Parents raised that there was no crossing patrol lady last week.</li> <li>Plans being explored to offer Bikeability to a broader age range of children.</li> </ul>	-Enquires to be made as to why the crossing patrol lady wasn't available last week.
<b>2c</b>	<b>Uniform</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A clear stance on uniform with the new school year has proven very successful so far.</li> <li>A flow chart has been created for staff on stages of response when children aren't wearing uniform. This will support consistency in response.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add the deadline for logo uniform orders for the new school year onto the newsletter next year.</li> <li>PE t-shirt colour to be explored and possibly</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School have also developed a step-by-step guide for parents to be aware of the process when a child consistently does not wear school uniform</li> <li>• A black hoodie with a logo is being explored for children to be able to wear for PE and Forest School.</li> <li>• Many parents seemed to miss the deadline for uniform orders this year.</li> </ul>	<p>surveyed with parents as some are finding that the white t-shirts get grubby really quickly. A different colour would be more sustainable.</p>
<b>3</b>	<b>Views on:</b>	
<b>3a</b>	<b>School Communication</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clarity of messages and different platforms in use is meaning some parents feel they are missing some messages.</li> <li>• Human error risk around first aid slips continue to be a factor in the sharing of information.</li> <li>• Facebook pages have become more aligned now with clear roles.</li> <li>• Clubs – information on Arbor is not always clear about what the club is or when and for how long it is running. Some clubs were down to start at 3:30pm making parents feel they had to come up to school for 15 minutes.</li> <li>• Start of year letter has not come out for some year groups.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication strategy being explored around using Arbor as the main system.</li> <li>• The school are looking at investing in an online app e.g., Medi-tracker, to report any first aid incidents. This will be started in October.</li> <li>• HT and school office to liaise around how the information about clubs is being shared.</li> <li>• HT to liaise with year leads around the ‘welcome to year ...’ letter and why this hasn’t happened this year.</li> </ul>
<b>3b</b>	<b>Inviting new Reps</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All current Reps are happy to continue as Reps, but agree it would be good to get new people joining for some fresh ideas and thoughts.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HT to check that the school office has the up-to-date mail list for parent forum.</li> <li>• HT to send out an invitation for other parents to join the parent forum. This will include key aspects that parent forum has helped to influence e.g., uniform, communication, Facebook groups etc.</li> </ul>
<b>4</b>	<b>Discussion on:</b>	
<b>AOB</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update shared from school on our new values ‘phrases’.</li> <li>• Parents don’t feel they know what the ‘Hi-5 rules’ are and how children are rewarded for this.</li> <li>• Queries around the homework policy.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The new values phrases will be shared in the newsletter on Friday.</li> <li>• HT to send a letter out to parents about the Hi-5.</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Some parents want more information around what the children are learning.</li><li>• Something has changed on the Dojo app and parents can't see their total (they could last year). There also seems to be inconsistency in how many different teachers are giving out.</li><li>• QR codes for the Facebook pages have been updated and the new ones will be ready to put in classes in a few days.</li><li>• Lunch orders – why do parents need to pre-book when children can add their choice in class? Pre-booked orders are locked in and can't be changed. School will not allow a child go hungry, so will allow them to choose on the day if there is nothing pre-booked.</li><li>• After school clubs – availability goes almost instantly.</li><li>• Entrance to the school playground at the start and end of the day is a bottleneck. Accessibility team states the paths are compliant. The planned new path will hopefully help parents have options on which route they take.</li><li>• Meet the Teacher – only one date provided which some parents couldn't make.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Home learning policy has been updated and will be shared with parents once the governors have agreed this.</li><li>• DHT to liaise with Year leaders to ensure all current learning information is on the website for parents to access.</li><li>• DHT to explore any changes which have happened on the dojo app and consistency in how dojos are awarded.</li></ul>
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Next Meeting: Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2025