

Parents' Forum Meeting 4th July 2017, 2.45pm

Present: Olivia Palmer, Helen Covell, Rebecca Thomlinson, Jules Bond, Karen Penny, Tracey Phenix, Sam Stone
Apologies: Trudy Hinton, Hannah Reed, Angela Burgess-Hughes

Open Meeting – no agenda set

1. Minutes from the previous meeting

- Washable pens – ordered some new ones to try!
- Charity shoes donation – Sals Shoes not taking any more registrations for this year and we would have to cover the cost of postage! Looking into some alternatives – possibly Mercy in Action. Sam Stone to email details.
- Clubs – Archery club to start in September. Hopefully more clubs to follow – still have restrictions because of space!
- Qn. about school meals – Are UFSM for FS and KS1 carrying on? As far as we are aware yes and if that ever changes we would let parents know as soon as we know!
- OP Qn – did any reps manage to talk to any other parents about pupil premium / free school meals? – Response – No.
- Suggestion regarding PP/FSM – maybe the office could hold a surgery session for parents to come and complete Pupil Premium forms / eligibility checker with support? Response – Parents are welcome any time but maybe in September we could set aside a specific time to do this if it is deemed necessary. Send out pupil premium info separate to newsletters so it doesn't get lost / swallowed up. Response – this has already been done but we will resend in September. New parents are given information in their packs and at the welcome meeting.

2. AOB

- Thank you for your continued support this year.
- Race for Life raised over £4000, Summer Fete raised £1700
- Race for Life- can we do it again next year? Yes. Was there a reason it was cut short this year? Yes, it was too hot for the littlies! We have to find a happy medium that suits everyone.
- Move up day – when is it and who is teaching which class? Monday. The children will find out first on Monday when they meet their new teacher. I like them to know first because it directly involves them. Details will come home in the newsletter.
- Booked By Dorset – can dates please be sent out rather than just put on classroom windows? Things get missed! Absolutely – I missed it too!
- Assemblies – behaviour wasn't great last week. Children can't hear those performing and get bored so start chatting. Could they use microphones? I will investigate microphones. As for behaviour I will ask teachers to talk to their classes before this week's assembly and hopefully it will improve. I will be keeping assemblies in the afternoons because the mornings are our prime learning time!
- Parent Forum – we will be looking for new reps for next year. Hoping everyone wants to continue but I thought it might be nice if there are two reps per class so it's not all on you! I'll put something in a newsletter in September ...
- Parentmail – could we get more reminders – maybe text messages? Yes, I'll certainly see what we can do but texts cost money. IS there a diary function on Parentmail? I don't think so, but when we get the website revamped there will be a diary/calendar function on there, similar to Outlook – hopefully that will help.

Meeting closed at 3.15pm.