

Minutes of the Parent Consultation Meeting 31st January 2018

Greeting from Head Teacher.

Introduced to school governor who was also attending meeting.

Catch up discussion from previous meeting

- Reviewed the information page to go on school website for parent consultation group link and letter to go out to all parents via email.
- Agreed to remove the actual meeting date and just state the months of meetings. Carried forward the proposal of naming the members of the group.
- Check up on suggestion box for reception area and the suggestions slip. Hope to have in place within 1 week

Discussion brought to meeting.

- Illegal and dangerous parking around the school. Dangerous and inconsiderate driving around the local area. Safety of children walking to school. Damage to pavements and grass verges due to inconsiderate parking.
- Many parents have voiced their concern Via Facebook site about parking on double yellow lines, zigzag lines and on pavements and grass verges during the school run time.
- We discussed how this was getting worse due to people traveling from farther afield.
- Absents of school crossing patrol. Head teacher advised the position had been filled but was awaiting training.
- Ideas of walking to school schemes and how they might encourage some to park further away. Photocopies if the online information was handed out.
- How to fund the scheme TSA funding??
- Admin for the scheme who would undertake it. How much time would it add to a teachers day to check on who had actually walked into school that day.
- How would a reward scheme work? Problems it would raise as far as equality between those who walk and those who don't or cant.
- Maybe a reward scheme based on % of children who walk to school per class opposed to individuals.

Conclusion to parking discussion

- Head Teacher informed us that the position of school crossing patrol had been filled but awaiting training.
- Raise a funding request to TSA for funding of banners and posters (possibly make it a design competition for the children to get involved)
- A letter to be written to TMBC and local MP regarding the parking and travel concerns around the school area.
- Depending on replies to TMBC and MP maybe run a campaign to get a permanent crossing installed (zebra/traffic lights etc.)

100% attendance rewards

- Was raised that some parents and children were confused whether the 100% attendance reward was termly or yearly. Children being sent in whilst unwell or with 48 hrs of being sick just so they kept their attendance up.
- Head teacher confirmed the reward was termly not yearly.

School trip funding

- Could the cost of school trips be broken down for parents so they know what the money they are paying is being spent on, entrance fees, coach hire etc.?

New school payment scheme

- Emails from the new payment scheme was sent before letter for school trips. Some school trips not opted for (Arethusa) email was sent asking for payment. After school clubs asked for payment for clubs not chosen.

Other subjects discussed.

- Drainage in lower playground to be addressed during half term.
- Staff carpark to be resurfaced during half term.
- Mosaic at the front of the school being damaged by some Tunbury children and tiles falling off
- Trouble children not attending Tunbury causing a nuisance setting fires close to school fence on adjacent recreation ground
- Power failure morning. Confusion amongst parents as to what was happening and what to do. Head teacher was informed 8.30-8.35am on the day and all necessary safety checks had to be made before children could enter the building. This was done ASAP.