

Parents' Forum meetings - minutes

Date of meeting	10 th February 2015
Time and location of meeting	9.00 am in staffroom
Person taking the minutes	Frances Davis
People present	Mrs Ross , Mrs Bagnall, Mrs Shaw, Mrs Hamaker, Mrs MacBride, Mrs Kitchen, Mrs Wesson, Mrs Arnell (HB) Mrs Gerrish (DF) Apologies from Ladybirds
Minutes of the meeting	
<p>Mrs Davis apologised that the meeting would have to be shorter because Year 2 children were leading the collective worship that day at 9.30am (changed from a previous day) and Mrs Davis as the organiser of this group had to be available to ensure the set up was going smoothly.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Feedback from the Drop Off The 8.45am drop off has been received positively but at the meeting 1-2 parents did voice saying that the social time between parents had been lost as well as a time for children to play in the playground. Some children who arrive before 8.55am are to be seen playing in the playground. Parents could understand the reason behind the gate being shut at 8.55am but 1-2 parents said the timing of the letter could have given parents longer to adjust to the new expectation and make changes to their routines at home. School can take this point forward. 2. Year 2 Choir to sing at the Reigate and Redhill Music Festival Year 2 parents would have liked a letter to have come out before the children were spoken to in school about wanting to join the choir. School can take this point forward. A letter had gone out to year 2 parents on Monday 8th February about the choir. 3. Parish Post Why is 'no news' written as there is always something to say! The half termly School News goes out to showcase the different learning that has occurred across the school. The year group news in the Parish Post is there so parents didn't miss an important reminder, ie to bring in certain resources. 4. Homework Policy – is being reviewed and will come out after half term. Staff write in the home readers weekly so parents have that update. The Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 blue parent books set out the curriculum for the year and parents can use that to support their child at home. The half termly planning is on the website and the curriculum newsletter is emailed out every half term. Year 2 parents requested a workshop on how to help their child with maths. School will consider this. Contained on the year 2 timetables sheet was support on how school teaches the timetables so parents was use the same method at home. 5. Junior Expansion At this point school had not heard that the permission had been validated. Parents like the updates in the Parish Post on the expansion but would also want it repeated weekly if certain news hasn't been received, ie still haven't heard about the validation. The weekly write up in the Parish Post has been set up to give new information. School can take this point forward. 6. Breakfast Club have a range of popular and healthy food for children to choose: milk, cereals, yoghurts, fruit, toast etc. Parents can make special requests for their child to have certain foods restricted or to do certain things, ie, dilute fruit juice, brush teeth after eating, etc. Please talk to Juanita. The school will pass on the new sugar smart app information that went out to parents (and was well received) to Breakfast Club. 	