

Parents' Forum meetings - minutes

Date of meeting	23 rd September 2016
Time and location of meeting	2.30pm – staff room
Person taking the minutes	Mrs Davis
People present	Mrs Dukes (Dolphins parent) , Mrs Stevens (HB), Mrs McDonald (HB), Mrs Booker (Tur), Mrs Rebuck (LB), Mrs Wilford (Dol), Mrs Metherell (BF), Nick Shepherd (BF), Mrs Salter (DF) Apologies from Mrs Lister (GH)
Minutes of the meeting	
<p>At lunchtime Year 3 are currently sitting in their classes so they know which tables to sit at. Parents asked when Year 3 would be able to choose across the classes where to sit at lunch, thereby mixing up children and letting children who have played together outside to sit next to each other to eat their lunch. After October half term year 3 children will be able to choose who they sit next to in the dining hall.</p> <p>School is still investigating a program that would allow parents to sign up online for the parents' evening meeting. Unfortunately until then the sign-up sheets will remain going outside the office. Could working parents ask a friend to sign up for them? We do not operate a system where ahead of the sign-up sheets going out that parents "book" a slot.</p> <p>When the building work on the school is complete we will invite SCL back to run their holiday club during the school holidays.</p> <p>Teachers mark the homework with a sticker or a tick.</p> <p>Feedback that the new uniform is lovely</p> <p>Excellent communication on the homework expectations, parent reps meeting with class teachers, details as to what the children will be doing at Ufton Court makes it sound a great residential.</p> <p>Could the 8.30am breakfast club be reduced in price to help parents? Mrs Davis to talk to the governors about this.</p> <p>In the future will there be an early drop off point in school where children are able to play and are supervised by a member of school staff? The school leadership team did consider this for our current academic year but were concerned about school being able to sustain this facility when parents become used to it. That is why we do not currently have this facility. It will be talked about for the next academic year.</p> <p>It was asked for the pick-up times on colder months if school would consider a holding room for pre-school children to be warm or a covered area. When it rains some parents now will shelter under the canopy outside Dragonflies. School can look at this although we do not have any "spare " space.</p> <p>After school clubs – paid ones – information has gone out and children signed up. The details of the teacher-led free school clubs are going out. The staff member who was leading cross country has been off school since the beginning of term but we hope to set this club up in autumn 2. Yes school will get involved with district sports, local competitive PE events, look at clubs for girls, ie hockey, netball. Our PE teacher has attended the local meetings where these events for year 3 and 4 are organised.</p> <p>Swimming for all of Year 3 in summer 1 & 2.</p> <p>Teachers and staff do encourage children to drink water from their water bottle during the day.</p> <p>Parents asked what is date for reception photos in Surrey Mirror?– to be taken in October. The date will be</p>	

communicated to parents.

Mrs Davis talked about the PTA meeting held on 27th September and the need for volunteers. Parents suggested the PTA consider the model other schools have, ie having a catering team, Christmas fayre team. We do already largely follow this model.

Piano lessons are taught through Surrey Arts. Parents need to contact Surrey Arts directly to find out if a piano teacher is available and then school will see if there's space for the lesson.