

Parents' Forum meetings – minutes

Date of meeting	19 th October 2016
Time and location of meeting	2.30pm – staff room
Person taking the minutes	Mrs Davis
People present	Mrs Wilford (Dol), Ms Metherell (BF), Mrs O'Gara (DF) Mrs Johns (LB) Mrs Johns (LB) Mrs Dexter (DF) Mrs Byrne (CP) Mrs Lister (GH) Mrs Ebbutt (GH) Mrs Allin (HB)
<p>Minutes of the meeting</p> <p>Sealife Trip – feedback on the packed lunch was that the children were hungry. Can the children take the morning fruit with them next time? This will be fed back to SCS and next time the morning fruit will be taken on a trip. The children did have a lovely time and it was well organised.</p> <p>Year 2 toilets – everyone uses them so the toilet roll runs out quickly. Please can this be refilled at the end of lunchtime.</p> <p>Car park – breakfast and after school club users only allowed to use it. No other parent should use the car park at the beginning and end of the school day, except if they have a pass which has been approved by Mrs Davis.</p> <p>PTA – please can water bottles with the new school logo be available to buy? The PTA will be asked about this.</p> <p>Parents have received a letter on 14th October about the names of the houses. Parents will receive a letter on 21st October about the interlinking of the new school logo, vision and Houses.</p> <p>Can parents bring younger siblings into school when they are a parent helper? Generally the answer is no because of the health and safety aspect. However some parents find it is possible to manage their pre-school child when the parent is doing Reception book bags or changing library books. Others have a reciprocal arrangement with a friend to look after each other's child in order to come into school to help. Don't forget parents help hugely with the PTA events, being a governor, working on other school projects, reading at home and supporting their child with the homework tasks.</p> <p>Cycling and scooting – comment as the school grows and the potential difficulty. The school has re-sited the cycling storage but is aware of the concerns from some parents about the safety of leaving scooters, because it is hard to lock them to the cycle hoops. There are plans for two cycle storage areas on the school site, when the junior building has been finished.</p> <p>Parents raised their concerns about the safety of Blackborough Road and suggested a new Pedestrian crossing / lollipop person down road by cemetery & alley. There is more need in the morning. A lollipop person would be employed by the school and governors would have to consider how this position would be supported by the school's budget.</p> <p>Will the entrance to the construction site be free of vehicles when the playgroup are being collected / picked up? 11.45 collection, 12.30 start playgroup. A note has gone out to all parents asking them to please use the steps whenever possible and when using the slope to be aware of construction vehicles.</p> <p>Year 3 parents' evening – know children inside out and parent comment 'never had this before'</p>	

Year 3 lunches – yes the all the tables are wiped down in between sittings. There may be a few peas on the floor, but any big spillages would be cleared up before second sitting came in.

Year 3 clubs – netball, cross country, ukulele club – all coming soon. Currently have football, code club, art club and choir. A letter will be going out to year 3 explaining how school identified their club offer back in summer 2016, what has stopped some clubs from starting and asking for ideas for other year 3 clubs which could start up very soon.

Year 2 homework – children love spending a lot of time on the homework tasks. Parents request more feedback from teachers, eg. a stamp, stickers, house points.

Homework – a massive improvement

Children love Abacus

The proposition has been raised for some INSET days to be attached to a half term, ie the Monday. School is looking to ask parents through a questionnaire their thoughts on this.