

Parents' Forum meetings - minutes

Date of meeting	4 th May 2017
Time and location of meeting	2.30pm – staff room
Person taking the minutes	Mrs Davis
People present	Mrs Salter (D/F) Mrs Johns (L/B) Mrs Croft (BF) Mrs Allin (H/B) Mrs Stevens (H/B)

Apologies received from Caterpillars class reps

1. Mrs Stevens wanted to say thank you to Mrs Wright and Mr Hayden for their work with the school choir, the children were very good and achieved a well-deserved 2nd place.
2. Mrs Allin enquired whether there will be an event for new to year 3 parents for everyone to get to know each other. Mrs Davis said that on the evening of Wednesday 5th July new year 3 parents are invited to school for a presentation with coffee and cake. Parents will know then which class their child will be in. Children will be asked to name one friend and they will be placed in a class with that friend. Mrs Croft said that last year the parents arranged their own social events but not until after the new term had started. Mrs Allin and Mrs Salter said they could put together an invite and the school would be able to email it out to the new parents.
3. Mrs Allin said that at collection and drop off times balls in the playground were becoming a problem again, even though to had mentioned in the Parish Post, this time parents as well as children are throwing balls around which is a danger to younger children. Mrs Johns said that the school should ensure that balls were not left in the playground and was there any possibility of year 3 and above children having use of the MUGA area in the morning to run and play. Mrs Salter said that at Priory School parents can leave children in the playground from 8.20am although the staff in the playground at that time do not supervise the children and the parents understand that. Mrs Davis stated that it would be difficult to police to just allow year 3 and above on the MUGA and the question of available staff would have to be looked at. We would continue to monitor this situation.
4. Mrs Allin mentioned that parents from Reigate Grammer School are still dropping off their children on the slope. Mrs Davis said that she is in regular contact with the RGS Headteacher and will raise this again with him.
5. Mrs Croft said the Turtles class assembly had been very good and it was also nice that the siblings were able to watch the assembly.
6. Mrs Croft enquired whether all parents would still be able to collect from the playground when the school is full to year 6 as lessons would be continuing in the new block when infant children were leaving. Mrs Davis stated that this would still possible.
7. Mrs Davis asked the class representatives to email their parents information regarding the governor's fund. The school governors ask for an annual contribution of £60 from each family and at present only one third of parents contribute. We access every source of funding available to us but school resources are limited. The governors have allocated £9,000 from their funds to spend on IT investment:
 - Laptops for Key Stafe 2
 - Upgrading the broadband and wifi
 - Paying the annual subscriptions for resources that all children have access to

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