

apologies
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attendance
Mrs Hillsden, DF and BF
Mrs McNally, LB
Mrs Rebuck, HB and GH
Mrs Goggins, DF
Mrs Wheatley, DF
Mrs East, Turtles and LB
Mrs Willford, Jaguars
Mrs Jenkins, GH and Jaguars

HB, GH and LB parent reps said they had nothing to report from their parents and that all was good.

positive feedback:

- really smooth transition for year 3
- the new block is lovely and ready for children to learn
- all staff are very welcoming
- it was good to let the parents walk around and see the junior block
- the year 4 trip to Grosvenor Hall – it was a good trip enjoyed by the children, the soiree where parents are invited to hear about the trip is good, there was excellent communication via Marvellous Me and daily emails whilst the children were away so that parents felt very informed
- the spelling and curriculum evenings were very good
- it was noted the extra time teachers put in to communicate to parents is excellent
- huge amount of learning seen by the mother of a reception child
- year 3 children have quickly found strong friendships. Children are very happy.
- the teachers' role in making children feel settled is great and noticed and appreciated.

parents talked about

1. the year 2 toilets having a quick clean after lunchtime (year 1, 2 and Reception children use them at lunchtime)
2. Children's safety at drop off: this is a reminder to parents that they are responsible for their child in the playground until they go into school. Mrs Patel stands at the covered walk making sure no infant children go back out on to the playground. KS2 TAs stand at the two entrances to the junior block making sure no child leaves one they have gone into the building.
3. At 8.45am by the year 4 door can parents leave space for children and parents walking up from the cycle shelter? It is a fairly narrow pathway.
4. the new tax free child care "voucher" scheme. School is aware of this and is pursuing how to offer this to parents as a method to pay for Breakfast Club. More details will follow.

5. the new pavement works along Blackborough Road: parents can go online to see the works and how it is planned. Parents requested that the work done in small sections, thereby allowing traffic and parking to flow. Please during this time can parents build into their routines time to find a parking space a little further away from school.
6. The new single yellow line outside school has a time limit on it – drivers are not allowed to park there from 10-11am.
7. will there be a maths evening? Yes we will get the date out to parents soon. the content will include:
 - a. the timetables taught in each year group
 - b. how we teach timetables
 - c. what are the children taught, as they get older how to do addition, subtraction, division and multiplication
 - d. on the website is the "calculations document", it is found at:

our school / statutory school documents / Progression in Calculation Policy

8. parents' input into PE and the opportunities for PE / competitive sport in year 3 and 4. Would parents like to feed their ideas to their parent reps in time for the next meeting?
9. How are KS2 involved in the services in school and in St Mary's Church? This is scaled up as the children get older and we are in a transition period. This will be reviewed and currently we have:
 - a. all classes (Reception to year 6) will have a class assembly to lead
 - b. year 3 led Harvest assembly to the whole school
 - c. Reception – nativity, junior hall
 - d. KS1 – nativity, junior hall
 - e. year 2 – lead church Christmas service
 - f. KS2 – carol concert
 - g. currently year 1 lead church Easter service, but this will change to a KS2 class next year.
 - h. year 3 and 4 - summer concert
 - i. Year 5 and 6 – year 5 will have a supportive role to the year 6 children leading the summer production. Year 6 will lead the KS2 production.
 - j. currently year 2 lead the end of year leavers' church service but this will change to year 6 leading it.
10. books – school has asked if there are any parents who can help stock the library with the newly donated books from home through the "delve into your shelves" appeal. Books have also been bought this month with money from the PTA for KS1 home readers, Reception Read Write Inc books and library books for year 3 and 4. We are also going to buy a new KS1 guided reading scheme to match the scheme used in KS2.
11. can children send individual Christmas card? This has been reviewed and school is going to stay with asking children to make one card for the class which will then go on display. If parents / their child want to hand out individual cards then they can do that in the playground after school. Christmas cards are expensive to buy especially if all 30 children in the class are going to receive one, environmentally it is not recommended to send individual cards, children often forget they have Christmas cards and they get left in trays or go into the bin without being opened.