

Parent Forum Meeting 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Present: Donna Clark, Tobie Wilcocks, Sarah Bale, Louisa Thomas, Kim Gibb, Sarah Capner

Apologies: Melanie Smallwood, Steph Reid ?, Natalee Enns.

## Agenda

1. Review previous minutes and updates
2. Representatives for each class/Year group
3. Future meetings

1. Tobie is still to discuss the sports day school use of the field at the play park. DC reminded parents that staff would have to risk assess this idea for issues which might include toilets etc. Tobie will see if it is a viable option before exploring it further.

Tobie is going back to work full time so will not be able to undertake the previous offer of bike maintenance from previous minutes but he has offered to contact a bike maintenance company he works with who may be able to come into school to work with the children. DC suggested linking this in with the bikability courses we run in school. MS/DC to action at the appropriate time.

Parents are still keen to come into school on a termly basis to see the children's books and look at class displays which they appreciate the staff working hard on. DC to speak to staff about building this into their planning. Parents were keen to be invited in for a class assembly every week but DC explained that this might not be attainable for the teachers and with increased limits on curriculum time and pupil management it may put extra pressure on teachers and with numbers rising in the school space is limited in the hall.

The parents are grateful for the homelearning updates of the week from Codden and Tarka and understand why it is only done for the younger classes. Could they know what the children do in PE? (DC to add to hers and speak to Mrs James

### 2. Representatives for each class:

Codden	Tarka	Barum	Saunton	Exmoor	Lundy
Caroline Ham	Eleanor ?	Sarah Bale	Sarah Capner	Natalee Enns	Tobie
Saff (Florie's mum)		Steph ?		Lisa Rogers	

### 3. Future agenda items:

- Parking – Tobie has offered to link with Louisa and Sarah to train as speed watch patrollers. ACTION TW to organize.
- Walking Bus – possibility of rewarding those children who join the walking bus. They could earn points? DC explained this would have to be a voluntary post (run by who?) and would need to be organized as well as possibly risk assessed? Where? (pub?)
- Future dates on the newsletter as soon as possible.
- School lunches. Parents are dissatisfied with the school lunch menus and feel it is too much processed food. Invite Jacqui to discuss with them?
- Parents Evening – 10 mins too short (DC explained that we have always expressed to parents that they can make further appointments if they need to). Could the parents eve be held over 3 nights. Could parents look at children's work books? Take them home? DC explained they would not be able to take home. GDPR and valuable resources and progress required for data and Ofsted etc.
- New reading homework. Parents are finding the children disheartened by Mr Constant's class winning every week. Could we look at the accelerated reading programme?
- Playtimes – friendship benches. What is taught to the children about friendships? Could Mrs Crispin come in and talk through the SMSC/PSHE curriculum?

\*Finally the reps from Codden class wanted to thank Mrs James for settling the children into school for their start of the new year.