

Parent Council Meeting
20th September 2016

1. The group reviewed the minutes from the last meeting. JL assured parents that the gardening issues had been brought up at the somm meeting and that gardening near to footpaths would be the first gardening to take place before children were on the premises. Since the somm meeting there have been no further issues or incidents noted. JL confirmed that the amendments to the anti-bullying policy had been made and would be taught during anti-bullying week in November.

2. Parent View Forms

Two parent view forms were presented to parents and parents were asked to consider which they would most prefer to be sent out in Autumn term for parent views. Parents selected the tick box version with less statement boxes.

3. Late Parent Collections

A number of parents are being late to collect their children at 3:15pm. JL presented a draft letter that we are considering sending out to parents to find out if a payable daily after school club would be useful until 4:30pm. Parents said the £4 would be an appropriate charge. Parents thought it was worthwhile sending the letter but also thought school should consider other approaches alongside this. Suggestions included:

- Charges for additional care
- A traffic light system of warnings
- Written warnings

4. Always and Attendance awards

Outlined to new parents what the term 'Always' means. Parents think that the certificate and a band are a good idea. And will ensure that Y6 children receive the band when they leave – this band could be gold if children have been consistently good all through school.

Y6 children get rewards for high attendance at key points throughout the year. Is it that parents feel if they have consistent attendance throughout the year they need to have a reward at the end of Y6? Parents felt this was unachievable year on year so continue with the system for attendance.

5. Sports

It had been received through the suggestions box that we need more sporting activities in and out of school.

Currently there are a lot of sporting activities throughout school. Children have 2hrs of PE per week and FS have outdoor equipment and games sessions

Is it that parents don't know enough about the sport we do in and out of school?

We will communicate information to parents and this should happen more frequently now we have a dedicated member of staff for PE. There are also two new awards every week for sporting excellence. These will also link in to the governor awards in the summer.

We are taking part in Winterhills tournaments again this year so this will also be promoted.

Parents were happy with the amount of sport the children currently do.

It was also discussed if parents would like a performance from KS2 in the summer term? We could make the Y6 leavers assembly more of a KS2 production and have a performance that is just for Y6 parents?

Parents thought this was a good idea.

We will also look at getting involved with the Community Carol concert and try and incorporate the singing group in to either a lunch time or after school club.