

Parents Forum 20.05.21		
Attendees: JM, (school) LC, AB, EM, PR, DH (parents)		Action
Information about maths mastery curriculum and differentiation	Delayed until Term 6	
Feedback on Year 2 trial of sharing weekly information about learning on TEAMS	No parents present have looked at it as are not currently logging on TEAMS	- If it is decided to be continued next term, send a text to parents to inform and remind them to log in weekly. - Is it possible to put a link to mymaths in the homework section on TEAMS or a comment saying remember to log in there?
Feedback on parents' understanding of new reading scheme in KS1	- Parents present have received the information and understand it - Parents commented the new system makes logical sense and it is nice to have a book for pleasure to share	JM to clarify with Yr2 teachers to be flexible in approach about re-reading 3 times if a child is on chapter books.
Reflection on the school's protective measures and anxiety levels/concerns moving forwards	- Still some issue at the Year 5 entrance/exit of cross over of flow and difficulties keeping distance (double gate planned and currently parents allowed in a bit earlier, staff not to release children till all in and staff stepping in to ask parents to wait as appropriate) - Some issues at Reception/Year 1 gate, especially since change of route but not major and double gate is planned. - With the likely removal of the need for social distancing from the summer, the general issues of the new drop off and collection system were discussed with a view to it	- Double gates are planned for Year 5 gate and Year 1 and will hopefully be installed over the summer holiday ready for September (Year 1 is definite and back gate is hopeful depending on budget as additional cost of tarmacking mud area). - JM to take issue about 25

	continuing next year. It is felt that it has had a really positive impact on traffic, congestion and safety on Northumberland Avenue. Parents feel it is more personal and easier to talk to teachers. The downside is for some families with multiple children who have a large gap between collection times which is a problem in bad weather. The consensus opinion was that the benefits of the system far outweigh the negatives.	minute gap between siblings to SLT to see if any adjustments can be made but parents understand it is logistically difficult.
AOB	• Parents showed enthusiasm for any additional opportunities for sport • Parents are missing having the hard copy of year group newsletters and many are trying to reduce screen time now • Year 5 parents queried why they were not told prior to the CAT tests being administered. A discussion around the purpose of them being to help inform parents in making decisions about entrance to the Kent test and the need to remove pressure or stress for children as is just an activity like their termly STAR tests. • Many parents raised concern about the conduct of some children and parents on the outskirts of the school perimeter e.g. bad language, rubbish, children climbing on bollards and in bushes, etc. Parents encouraged to report any worrying incidents witnessed to school staff and steps can be taken to address. Texts have been sent to parents when necessary and individual children spoken to. • Parents shared their children are happy to be back	• JM to investigate a query about gender separate PE in Yr 5 and directly feedback to parent – not usual practice. • JM to chase about year group newsletters being printed again now COVID restrictions lifting • JM to liaise with YGLs and AF about further work on reminding children on expectations of behaviour when entering and leaving school and representing school in uniform. Could wellbeing ambassador be involved?
Next meeting: Wednesday 14 th July at 12.00pm via TEAMS		