

Parents Forum 13.10.19		
Attendees: JM, AF, CS, AB, SS (school) KB, EM, AB, LC, OD, DH, DM, SW, DH, AC, NB (parents)		Action
Welcome – introductions of new members and discussion of last meeting's minutes	- Explained that a new meeting board will be purchased by the school as requested by Forum. - Suggestion to have notice board facing other way round and to lower the height. - Both Headteacher's and Year Group newsletters will go on the website but Year Group one will now be printed and sent home - Bike shed has been repaired and reminded parents that we have other places to store them.	Save The Children have donated money which we will be using to purchase a large double sided notice board.
Group photo	Taken – one for website and one for noticeboard	Photo will not be published until all GDPR consent forms have been returned (any parents who have not done so, please return to office asap)
Curriculum policy	- CS explained about curriculum and how OFSTED focus has now expanded into the wider curriculum, and what OFSTED will be looking at. - Question was asked about putting on how much time children spend on other subjects. - There was a question whether we link core subjects with topic subjects to inspire learning more. - Query about how EAL children are supported. It was explained how LM supports those children in school to develop language. - Question to whether parents are sent paper copies of policy. Could a shortened version be sent out?	- CS to make suggested changes to policy - CS to consider making a shortened version to distribute to all parents

	Query about special interests of staff and whether that can be more advertised so that children and parents know more about that.	
PTFA	- AB explained the background of why we don't currently have a PTFA. - It was explained how it would need to be set up – original meeting to explain, committee of about 10 members to be voted in, committee members to be DBS checked, all events to be approved by Headteacher or SLT, no events after 7pm or at weekend. - Gift Aid was brought up as another way to raise money. AB will look into it. - Query on storage.	Parents to discuss a potential PTFA with other parents to gauge interest
Successes since the last meeting	- Possibility of a PTFA! - Christmas Fair - £1096 was raised!	
AOB	- To mention in Year R initial meeting about parking and benefits of children walking, issues for neighbours etc. - Excellent job at Christmas Fair! - Can a more detailed breakdown of clubs be put somewhere so parents know more about what they are signing up i.e small world, puzzle club. - Query about play equipment. JM explained about the plan for next term. - Asked about Daily Mile, AF explained what has been trialled so far. Parents keen for it to happen regularly. - Be aware of how many things we are sending home for parents to buy.	JM to share suggestion about parking slide to Ms Whichcord and club suggestion to Mrs Wilson

	• Texts for chase up money for events. AB explained she has adjusted that email. • Query about Parent Consultation time and other communication opportunities – Year Group Leader emails to be promoted. • A parent queried if there is a change to staffing in the class within a year, could parents be notified. JM explained how TAs work within a year group and aren't allocated to a specific class.	
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Next meeting: Friday 24th January 2020