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Invited: KW (Chair of Governors), BR (Governor), RM (LSA/MDS), NN, GS, GG, S H-B, EF, TB, NS, KB, LS, SW(HT), RT-R, RH(minutes)

Apologies: TB

Agenda items are black. Responses/actions are blue.

Introduction of new class reps:

New rep from the school staff, Mrs Mansell was welcomed, as well as Katie Wilson our new Chair of Governors and Bonnie Ruddock, a member of our governing body.

Role of Family Forum and Class Reps

Take up the running of the class Facebook page & WhatsApp group. Please be mindful of people that do not access both and try to keep all updated.

Share links to newsletter on Facebook pages. **Action: Reps to send class Facebook links to SW.**

Reps to continue to share newsletter link in the WhatsApp groups. Most important information is now on the newsletter rather than sending out multiple emails to parents. FFMPs do have a site that they share information on too. Link is at the bottom of the newsletter/Weekly Reminders

Nursery RH to add NN to existing WhatsApp group

Remind families that any worries and concerns should go to the class teacher first

Family Forum will meet each half term

Family Forum is a place to canvas new ideas, share things that could be done differently or improved and reps always like to share something to celebrate too. They will ask for contributions from families before each FF meeting.

1. Actions from the last meeting:

'Come dine with me' to only be for Robins going forward

2. Questions from families

Yr N:

Yr R:

- Confusion around school dinners and what week we are on, causing a few issues with picky eaters. **3-week rotation clarified**
- Is eating monitored? **Yes, class teacher is present for the start of lunch and will let you know if your child doesn't eat.**

Discussion followed: Food sometimes just doesn't look like what they were expecting. Reassurance from other parents that they may well have eaten what's on the menu just not recognised it as that particular dish.

- Link to reading workshop on the school website robins class page is not the correct information. **This will be removed. You need to look at the new phonics and reading pages. The presentation was not recorded but the PowerPoint presentation is now available on Tapestry.**

Yr 1:

- Door arrangement survey outcome. Pick up is not practical, small area with a lot of equipment, and other traffic going through. The other door doesn't work, was only used for Covid and is in the reading corner. Heath and safety risk due to cobbles. Trial from Monday using library door, and having a one-way system going past the dining room after dropping off and collecting. Please share feedback after half term.
- Speaking to LSA at the start of the day is difficult, perhaps hang back after your child has gone in until a quieter moment.
- Will try and keep the walk through past year R and Year 1 as clear as possible.
- Concerns that children are coming out of school early? Check clocks in classrooms are correct, children should not be leaving before 3.15pm- more often than not they are later.
- Children not drinking enough water, should they be putting up their hands to ask? They do have reminders throughout the day. Bottles are refilled if they are empty during the day, so a full bottle may be misleading.
- Uneven path outside the classroom. This is being looked at by Lead Kite Site Manager.
- Bumped head emails, need to be clear which child (for those with more than one)- We all agreed this was important. SW to remind admin team.
- Fundraising idea, selling artwork at smile evenings. May be difficult as art is in their books. Really glad of all fundraising ideas, keep them coming! Very aware that with the cost of living increasing we don't want families to feel under pressure to keep donating.

Yr 2:

- Football for year 2 be returning? Yes, in the summer term as this is an outside club.
- Why are we not having a nativity? We do a lot of Christmas activities that children enjoy more. Practising for a production puts pressures on children, changes to routine over a number of weeks of rehearsals can be disruptive to well-being and learning- we noticed a big difference last year when we did not have to prepare them for a nativity. More children have more confidence when they are with their peers rather than in front of strangers. Carols in the courtyard is going ahead and there is also a new idea in pipeline working with St Andrew's Church, still in planning phase but hoping to have a carol service for KS1- alert- this may mean we need to change the date of Carols in the Courtyard.
- Bookbags and rucksacks requirements could have been communicated before the start of the term. Parents have let children start the year with rucksacks, to be told at meet the teacher that the bookbag would be easier to store – difficult to now revert back. Apologies- you will have seen that space is so limited we can only just accommodate coats and PE kits. We will ensure this is rectified for next year.
- Dates and costs for school trips? to be communicated
- Can come dine with me return? As the result of a Family Forum discussion in the summer term, the event will not run this academic year.

- Yr3: No points to raise

Yr 4:

- Upton Court: payment alerts have come out and concerned parents. The amount is only a suggested amount, put on in response to requests for support with budgeting- the amounts are not set in stone, pay in full or instalments, as long as the full payment is made by the final payment date. We will ensure this is fully communicated.

- Yr 5: No points to raise

Yr 6:

- Creche for the parents evening? Only one member of staff is currently able to be there, but we are hoping to run this facility.

- Snacks and other communication about food, could this be fed back to parents directly, rather than through the children. Yes, this should be the case, especially with the younger ones. Action: Healthy snack guidance to be clarified and shared in Headlines and Weekly Reminders on 7/11 Snacks to include:
Fruit/ricecakes/breadsticks/raisins/cheese/crackers
Not popcorn/chocolate coated ricecakes/crisps/Chocolate bars
- How does Mrs Green ensure children don't miss out on learning when she is absent, children have Bikeability and School Tours? Will Meet the Teacher be rescheduled? When Mrs Green was absent she was still providing planning for each day and the whole staff team supported the excellent supply teacher to deliver the planned lessons. Much effort went in to ensuring everything was done to keep the class running smoothly. We will be planning Bikeability to be later in the year next year. We do not get notified by secondary schools about dates for school tours but will ask that we can be. Some parents notify us of the dates they have chosen to take their child on a tour and we can plan accordingly in school. When we don't know, it is more difficult to plan. **Action: secondary Schools to give us advance notice of dates at the beginning of term; Families to give us advance notice of the tours they will be attending with their child.**
- Meet the teacher and the Calshot residential meeting to be combined on Monday 17th October at 6:00pm. Meet the teacher slides to go out on Seesaw- please look at in advance of the meeting, and Mrs Green will answer questions about both.

3. EBI: Even Better If:

- Bikeability: to be moved to late May/ June for next year's Yr6

4. WWW: Something to celebrate:

YrR: Thank you for helping daughter to settle (full quote in email?)

Phonics seemed a bit daunting for parents, but children are really getting stuck in and enjoying.

Y2: Smile afternoon, lovely to see all their work already on the walls and go through their books. Interesting to learn that they use the same books as last year so you can see the progression.

Yr5: Really pleased that at the back entrance, it is the large gates that are now opened.

Yr 6: When Mrs Green was absent she was still providing planning for each day

5. AOB:

- Change to organisation of Reindeer Run- will run in house teams- details to follow
- Please label plastic snack boxes. Check lost property if you are missing some items of clothing and ensure all items are labelled or else we may end up selling it in the uniform shop.

6. Date of next meeting: 2nd December 2022

9:00am in the staffroom or remotely via the Teams link

Family Forum: Parent Reps 2022-2023

Yr N	Ngoc Nguyen	Ducklings
Yr R	Gemma Smith Gemma Green	Robins

Yr 1	Sarah Harvey- Browne Emma Fox	Owls
Yr 2	Tracey Birch	Swallows
Yr 3	Nikki Selden	Nightingales
Yr 4	Emma Fox Gemma Smith	Kingfishers
Yr 5	Katie Brennan Tracey Birch	Eagles
Yr 6	Liz Spencer Ria Tansley-Rimington	Falcons