Parents’ Forum 2/11/21

**The aim of a parent forum is to:**

* **Discuss whole school issues (not individual).**
* **Give parents an opportunity to express their views and ideas.**
* **Give parents an opportunity to make suggestions for school improvement.**
* **Allow the school to discuss development and new initiatives we are working on.**

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| Agenda Item | Discussion | Outcome/Action |
| 1. Return to school | How this has been working  How parents feel about this. | Children are happy in school and enjoying sense of normality. Lining up in the morning is working well and children transition into school well.  COVID hasn’t impacted school to much. School will keep parents informed of cases in school if they arise. |
| 1. School Priorities for this year | AK to share schools focused priorities for this year.   * Writing – closing the gap across school – due to impact of lockdowns – building writing stamina, writing at length, developing text talk – using Talk for Writing process - Imitation - the children learn a text and the language they need. Innovation - the children adapt the model text with ideas of their own. Invention - the children create their own text using the language and skills that the model taught them. * Vocabulary – developing understanding of key vocabulary across the curriculum – using vocab targets, greater focus on vocab within writing. * Creative Curriculum – embedding Spanish, Effective PE lesson – Mr Luxa each week. Mrs Scottt – Music across school. Developing an enquiry based approach in topic. * Developing our leaders within school – all staff part of Curriculum hubs across the academy. * Well being – daily mile, PSHE – jigsaw program being used effectively in school. Celebrate different national days – 1 each term. Supporting children’s mental well being. * ECO schools award. | Can children access vocab tests on Accelerated reader – AK to find out and let parents know.  Can training be given on TEAMS again – where to find things for each class and how to access or update as needed. AK to liaise with AL to record a guide again.  Can support and training be given on Accelerated reader? AK to organise a session for parents especially those new to AR. |
| 1. BLP | AK to share Building Learning Power and how we will be developing this across school throughout the year. | See BLP parents guide about how you can support your children at home. |
| 1. Christmas Plans | AK to share current plans for this half term in the build up to Christmas  3/12 Christingle Service  3/12 FOTSMS Christmas Fair  6/12 Willow/Birch Christmas Performance  13/12 KS2 Christmas performance  14/12 Whole school theatre visit  15/12 Christmas Lunch  16/12 Golden Time/Parties  17/12 Film morning – 2pm finish | We are hopeful that all of these will go ahead this year. Should things change we might have to limit numbers to performances. If parents aren’t able to attend we will record these to share with you. |
| 1. Communication | Newsletters – Now on SWAY  Facebook – updates across the week  Website lots of key info found here  Email – through office  Messages – eschools  TEAMS – homework – spells etc | New newsletters well received – give a good insight into each week in school.  Messages for parents will be sent on eschools – parents can message on this too. TEAMS will only be for children to use. |
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