



St. Cedd's Church of England Primary School Parent Forum

Meeting on Friday 17th January 2020

In attendance:

Lyndsey Wood

Carly McHugh

Andrew Mathers

	Meeting notes	Actions
1	Mrs Wood welcomed the parents to the meeting and addressed outstanding points from the last meeting: Bikeability has been booked for Year 5 and Year 6 children; dates for swimming have been issued to all parents.	
2	Mrs Wood thanked the parent forum, on behalf of all staff, for the support to help raise money for the school library by attending our school Christmas fair. It was wonderful to see the fair so well attended. Furniture has been ordered and photographs will be shared once the library is finished.	
3	Breakfast Club was discussed. It is now up and running and children are attending.	
4	Swimming lessons have been positive. Parents are pleased that stronger swimmers are being catered for.	
5	Mrs Wood shared that we are going to relaunch our appeal for parent helpers to read with the children each week.	Add appeal to newsletter.
6	Communication was discussed. Parents were very happy with the list of dates which are sent out regularly. INSET days for the next academic year were discussed and once confirmed, will be added to the list. Facebook continues to be a positive source of communication. The school will advertise this on the school newsletter this week to encourage other parents to access. Parents love seeing the children's achievements and the recognition for their hard work.	Mrs Wood to agree INSET dates with Governors for 2020-21.
7	Awards and certificates were discussed. The children receive Star of the Week awards every Monday and attendance certificates at the end	

	of each term. Children who read 3 or more times a week, with their reading diary signed by an adult, are entered into a prize draw. This will be launched to reward those children accessing Times Tables Rock Stars.	
8	Changing the length of the school day was discussed. Mrs Wood explained that changes were made to be in line with local schools and to support the children's wellbeing. The children will continue to receive the Government recommended teaching hours.	
9	The whole school Colchester Zoo trip was discussed and the parents shared how it would be nice if the children could be involved on deciding which parts of the zoo they would like to visit. Mrs Wood also shared that it is the intention of the school to offer a trip/ visitor each term for each class.	Mrs Wood to share the idea with the class teachers.
10	An afternoon playtime has been introduced for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to allow them to have a movement break in between lessons.	
11	Some parents have had difficulty receiving messages about their child/ren receiving Dojo awards. Where parents have contacted the school, this has been rectified. Where this has happened, the children are still able to see the rewards in class.	
12	School photographs were discussed. Parents are not entirely happy about the quality of the photographs. They felt the children are not encouraged to smile in a more natural manner and it is very 'staged'.	Mrs Goff will be providing feedback to the photograph company. This will be reviewed after next weeks photograph session as to whether an alternative company needs to be researched.

Next meeting arranged for Monday 4th May 2020.