

## Parent Forum 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019 2pm-3.15pm

### Minutes

**Present:** Ms C Dilks (CD) Head of School, Mrs R McKeown SLT/Acorn 1, Sharan Watson Governor Link (minutes), V Hockey, K Whitfield, S Dagley, C Smith, N Stephens, M Ellis, M Miller, C Swanepoel, L Brown, K Soulsby

**Apologies:** R Thompson, L Lawton

**Minutes from June 2019** – agreed correct, no outstanding actions

**Review of membership** – V Hockey offered to swap her representation from 4MB to cover a gap in year 6AW.

**Action :** CD terms of reference to be reviewed to change focus from gathering concerns to more progressive scoping of agenda issues

**Positive role of Parent Forum** – SW / CD shared the positive impact Willesley school has as a community for valuing our school and children, 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations a great example of this; Harvest Festival; Church Visits. Great feedback from Year 6 reps from residential trip and new parents feedback of how well children have settled in school. Positive role of the forum, acting as the parent voice, opportunities to cascade what is going well and any future updates and encouraged individual solutions to be taken up with individual class teachers.

**Update on selling cakes / healthy breakfast options / snacks** – RM feedback more healthy cereals being sourced, going to switch to green and yellow labels for no sugar groups. CD- selling cupcakes will remain as a choice option, children gain an experience of using choice and also discussion around choice of healthy snack. To be minuted that **Diary Snacks to be eaten in the classroom for all children due to dairy allergies.**

**Football cards** – not to be banned but to try restricting in school to swap club ?12.45pm on a Friday, this negotiated time to be sent out to parents **Action:** CD

**School diners** – discussion around some feedback that children getting into hall too late or very little time to eat, this has now settled once children are into routine of school, year groups rotate on order of time for lunch.

**Car parking** – issue now resolved, new speed bump installed and everyone to remember to slow down if using car park.

**Social media** – CD reminded of Social Media policy and to keep comments positive and inclusive, if any parents concerned about anything they witness being shared on social media about school / children to inform School Office inline with school policy

**Feedback from peripatetic music teachers** – query raised about whether there is any procedure to encourage music teachers to give feedback to parents, CD discussed that is for individual parents to request feedback for music teaches individually.

**Young Voices** – not happening this year, however also acknowledge that a new school choir is being developed by Mrs Hender.

**Year 5 homework** – if there are any queries or constructive feedback then this is for parents to feedback and discuss with teachers individually or for clarification.

**Junior toilets** – discussion around broken door locks which will be looked at and CD reassured group that toilets are cleaned daily

**Safe Sun Policy** – CD feedback on progress so far based on feedback form parents, CD / SW to meet and look at school implementation an accredited scheme of activities and assemblies to embed this safe sun culture within school.

**AOB-** Crossing patrol retirement, CD advised any concerns to be feedback to County Council. Communication for new parents, it was felt by some that this could be improved. Update on Weduc; it can be uploaded on phone.

CD feedback from Parent Forum appreciation to WASPS and to positive role of Parent Forum, so a thank you to all.

**Date of next meetings: 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020 2pm-3pm and 12<sup>th</sup> June 2020**