

## **Parent Council Meeting, Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2014, 2pm**

### **Attendees:**

Tracy Potter (Headteacher)

Emma Hammacott

Maria Mangan

Anita Parham

Anne Martin

Sarah Kappa

Naomi Caddick

### **Apologies**

None received

### **Agenda.**

Previous minutes and action points

Key Stage 1 results

Staffing

AOB

### **Minutes**

#### **Previous minutes & action points**

TP went through the actions from the previous meeting:

#### **Pedestrian training**

We had two volunteers for completing the course to deliver this programme to Year 2 pupils. Unfortunately due to family commitments one was in the end unavailable this term so Mel Lumsden stepped in. All being well all of Year 2 will complete the programme by the end of term.

#### **Golden lunch**

This continues to go well. As the current Year 6 have not had long-term opportunities to take part in the new format golden lunch extra sessions for Year 6 are taking place.

#### **Year R**

TP attended two appeals last week for places in Year R - we don't at this time know whether these were successful

#### **Federation update**

TP noted that we are now officially federated with Holbrook and there is one governing body. The position of Executive Headteacher has been advertised but at this point we don't know whether there have been any applications

#### **Year R playground**

Parents noted they had seen the changes with the fence being removed and the new shed erected.

#### **Key Stage 1 results**

TP shared with the parents some data about Year R good level of development (GLD), Year 1 phonics and Year 2 results. It was noted that there is a 10% improvement in terms of the children in Year R reaching the GLD, that phonics achievement is significantly above 2013

national results. In addition Year 2 results are the best they have ever been. Parents expressed pleasure to hear this good news.

One Year 6 parent asked when Year 6 results will be available. TP noted these are not due until next week and as soon as we know we will inform the children and their parents.

### **Staffing**

TP confirmed that the school is fully staffed for September.

### **AOB**

#### **Bridgemary HT**

Parents asked for TP's opinion on the new HT at Bridgemary. TP noted she had only met her a couple of times but it is clear from those meetings that she wants to ensure there are close links with the feeder schools for the benefit of pupils. There was some discussion regarding the change of lesson timings at Bridgemary and TP said that the Bridgemary HT had used this model previously and found it to be very successful; it should enable students to get deeply involved in their learning.

#### **Sports day & sun burn**

Parents said they felt sports day had gone well. One noted that a parent had commented about their child getting sun burnt BUT all parents agreed that the text sent in the morning had made it clear that awareness of sun safety was essential. The parents were aware that they are responsible for sun cream.

#### **Universal free school meals**

One parent asked whether children would still be able to mix and match school dinners / packed lunches. TP said this was fine

#### **Assemblies**

Parents noted that at the last class assembly there were several very noisy parents / siblings. TP said that in future during class assemblies we won't do certificates as well. Times for final awards and leavers assembly were discussed.

#### **Reading raffle tickets**

A parent asked if the raffle tickets for reading at home would be continued next year. TP said we are still considering this as it has had an impact for some children but there remains a significant number who never read at home.

#### **Year 6 end of school events**

TP noted that the Year 6 staff had asked the children what they would like to do. There was not one over-whelming choice so the staff are organising lots of small special things eg pet day.

The meeting closed at 2:45pm.

**Next meeting: TBC**