

Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 18th January 2018

Apologies: Donna Lipscomb-Shrewy DL-S, Dawn Blythin DB

Attendees: Lesley **Manners** (Chair) **LM**, Emily Clark (Minutes) EC, Alex Leeds AL, Caroline Bay CB, Jacqui Veitch JV, Victoria Laslett VL **and Fran Zimmer FZ**

Subject	Discussion	Actions
<p>Matters arising from previous minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Year 6 transition to secondary school - Reward system - Inclusion at school 	<p>Santander available to provide talk about Finances. Consider this for Y4/5 instead? Needs planning session with Y6 teacher present. CB, LM and XX to attend from Parent Council</p> <p>Contact Arriva to see if some tickets are available to take children on buses for practice</p> <p>Clarification that House Points (KS2) and Raffle are school-wide reward systems. There was some feedback from Y3/4 parents that some videos watched in class as rewards may not have been appropriate. Teachers have in-class reward systems, monitored closely by Head and Dep Head. Therefore no further action to be taken – in future feedback to be directed to class teacher.</p> <p>More than Words charity are prepared to come in and talk to children. It was discussed that talks by various charities would be best as part of the assemblies.</p>	<p>VL to arrange meeting</p> <p>LM to contact Arriva</p> <p>VL to develop rolling programme</p>
Recording of bullying incidents	<p>VL and FZ shared details of recording methods already in place and robust systems that already exist for dealing with behaviour.</p> <p>Some members of the council raised concerns if there are many “minor” incidents representing a bigger issue, this may not be picked up because of variation in where/to who parents report them, and that individual events are not deemed serious enough to be formally recorded.</p> <p>It was discussed that parents must report any instances the class teacher to ensure consistency. Also, children should be reminded that teachers, TAs and midday supervisors are there to support them and they should talk to them if there is a problem.</p>	<p>FZ to ensure this message is reiterated in newsletter</p>
SATS	<p>Positive feedback on previous strategies to reduce pressure on children during SATs period.</p> <p>Agreed that mindfulness techniques should be included as part of Y6 transition planning, which will help with SATs too. Possibility that our existing EP (Educational Psychologist) could provide this training but it will need funding.</p>	<p>AL to ask PTA if they are able to provide funding</p>

AOB	It was noted that the new Deputy Head has been asking children not to run on their way into school (from blue gate to wooden gate). Some parents and children had been upset by this. Unaware that it was a rule, and disappointed that children could not run to catch up with friends, etc. It was agreed that children running into school at this point was nice to see, and not a problem. No running beyond the wooden gate though – this is already an established rule for safety.	FZ to speak to Dep Head
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Next Meeting: 1st March 2018, 9.15am, Victoria Laslett - Chair, Lesley - Minutes