



## Parents Forum Meeting Record

<b>Date of Meeting</b>	18.11.2019
<b>Presented By</b>	Clare Larkin Head Teacher
<p><b>New marking</b> Green pen is effective. Children edit their own work as part of the new curriculum and have said that they prefer to see green pen in their books it is much more positive, children feel empowered and enjoy 'playing teacher' whilst marking their own work. As a result, teachers have more time to plan lessons. This has been trialed in several classes and is working well. This has been rolled out across the school from year 2 upwards. Grid handed out with explanation of MAD time; 'Make a difference'.</p> <p><b>Ofsted</b> School was graded as Outstanding in 2013, it is likely that Ofsted will visit in the near future and while school are confident that they are offering quality first teaching, the criteria is different and many other schools have lost their outstanding status. In preparation for this, parents will be involved in curriculum setting and overview of what we are doing via Parents Forum. Concerns are that the Forest School, care and nurture and enrichment type 'extra' activities which cost the school money could be impacted.</p> <p><b>Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)</b> Government is imposing this from next September and there has been lots of media interest in this. School have arranged teacher training for 'No outsiders' which is similar to what is taught now. This will be relevant to the child's year group. This will be shared within parent's forum.</p> <p><b>Lockdown Training</b> This is required within all schools and training has taken place with all school staff to ensure the safety of children in an emergency lockdown situation. Classes will be practicing this in class on Wednesday; scenarios to be adapted to the year group eg nursery and Tree Tots; dog in playground, older children will be given a more realistic non scary scenario. Training is important to ensure that the staff and children are prepared for this scenario. Vote held with the Forum about whether prior warning needs to be given to parents and carers, agreed that a parent mail will be sent after the practice.</p> <p><b>Parent Pay accounts</b> From January accounts need to be in credit before breakfast, lunch and afterschool club sessions can be authorised. The debts are taking a lot of time for staff and this money comes from the school budget.</p> <p><b>Parking</b> Two weeks ago had several near misses of children, cars turning round, parking on pavements etc Signs are present but are small. Mrs Rae and Mrs Larkin have been</p>	



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manning the gates and parents are generally grateful that their children are being kept safe, they have been driven at and experienced abuse from a minority of parents and carer's which is unacceptable. Time is being spent dealing with this which could be better spent with teaching and learning with the children.

Trafford Council are sending the parking warden out more frequently and they will ticket the cars who are parked outside on the yellow lines.

The School Council are involved and looking at a 'Walking to School' reward scheme to be implemented to encourage walking to school. There is a car park two minutes away from school which regularly has many spaces, there is no reason to park at the front of school.

### **Governors visit**

Our new Parent Governor, Iain Wilson, has visited the school and was extremely impressed with what he saw; he has fed back to Mrs Larkin that children were engaged with learning, the success of the new marking scheme, EYFS demonstrating and explaining turn taking, compliance in testing and control of staff, Forest School and being a generally happy place to be.

### **Christmas Fair**

Volunteers are needed to ensure that the Fair and all the stalls can go ahead Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

### **AOB**

**Library open after school** – this was trialed once but requires volunteers to coordinate this.

**Drainage on Baguley Lane** – to be discussed at Governors meeting with Joanne Bennet this week.

**Lost items** – seems to be a spate of this in KS2 pavilion. These are looked for by staff and the process is that an email is sent round for staff to look out for these, children are encouraged to search. Parent was concerned that a child was doing PE outside in the cold with no jumper as she didn't know. Parents encouraged to name belongings clearly to ensure if found they will be returned.

**Celebrating children's achievements in school** – verbal praise every day in lessons. Weekly in assembly, every half term an enrichment assembly is held, in classes individual reward schemes are offered.

**Enrichment** – not running for year two; requirement for 5 members of staff to run this. KS2 do enrichment but Year one and two get forest school sessions instead.



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**Actions:**

- Learning Walk date to be arranged.



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