Parents' Forum Meeting – 14th March 2018



Minutes

Attendees: Shelley Sheppard, Nicki Springle, Jackie Subhan, Anula Evans, Annabel Balderson, Paul Randall, Andy McNeill, Jackie Olcot, Belinda Welland, Clare Cunnington

Apologies received from Kelly Greenlee and Rachel Burch

FOLS updates: Thanks were given to parents for their support; £2000 was raised in the run up to Christmas. There was a discussion of how to ensure that these successes are communicated to parents. It was agreed that details of the money raised and spending plans should be included on the weekly school newsletter. There is almost £1000 that has been raised via Easy Fund Raising. Pupil discos are planned for the 23rd March and there is a Quiz Night on 20th April. The Summer Festival (Fete) is planned for 14th July although this may need to be scaled down due to the number of helpers. More helpers are needed for a range of events, as there is a core of four members who organise most of the events. It was suggested that for the next meeting each person should "bring a friend" which would double the number of attendees and hopefully encourage people who may be reluctant to come on their own.

School updates

Since the last meeting in November: we have celebrated Christmas in school: children's plays, Christmas lunch, Bazaar, church service and collection for the One Can Trust. Y6 visited St Peter's Church for a workshop entitled "Christmas Unwrapped".

Ofsted visited the school at the start of this term – there is more about this later in the meeting. Y6 pupils have taken part in a programme of study support sessions as well as Y6 girls taking part in a maths day and Y5 pupils also attending a maths day. Unfortunately the Matrix centre is closing at the end of this term, so next year we will look for alternatives for our then Y6s.

The Choir sang at the O2 – which was a fantastic experience – we have signed up for next year. Y4 are singing at the Wycombe Swan as part of the Energise performance later this week.

Class assemblies and values assemblies have taken place this term.

Several classes have been on visits, had visitors or taken part in sporting events: football, basket ball, Y6 visited Hazard Alley, Hearing Dogs for the Deaf visited Y1, All classes have participated in an NSPCC assembly focusing on Staying Safe, Show Racism the Red Card workshops have been held for Y5 & Y6 today, NSPCC workshops for Y5 & Y6 are planned later in the term.

We have celebrated world book day – albeit a week late due to the bad weather.

This week is Shakespeare Week and perform workshops linked to this

Coming up

There is a science focus for all classes until the end of term.

Sport Relief is 23rd March - More detail to follow – sporty mufti & walk/run around field.

Y5 & Y6 to visit St Peters for Easter Cracked.

Y6 SATs week 14th May, Y2 assessments during May, assessments in other classes at appropriate times.

Mid-May children from Y2 upwards will begin swimming.

Y6 residential to Green Park is planned for June.

Art Week and Art Exhibition 19th June. Science week – whole school trip to Legoland. Sports Day & Summer Fete in July.

Ofsted report - January 2018

Copies of the report were provided, along with a summary sheet of the parental responses to Parent View

There was a short presentation that focused on:

- Background information about the inspection
- Strengths of the school
- Inspection findings
- The role of the Governing Body
- Next steps for the school

The presentation slides are attached.

AOB

- A request was made for class assemblies to be filmed and posted on the VLE section of the school website. This will be investigated further.
- There was a question regarding response times to emails sent to the school office. It was suggested that if a matter was urgent it was best to make a phone call to ensure the information was received.
- A suggestion was made by a parent for "Cookie" or "Ice Pop" Fridays this was agreed.