



Parent Council Minutes

Date of Meeting: Friday 11th October 2019

Clerk: Liz Johnson

Attendance

Name	Class	Present/Apologies
Adaline Cumberbatch	Fox	Present
Amanda Whelan	Squirrel	apologies
Barbara Telford	Deputy Head	Present
Bernicia Oluwagbemiro	Deer Ladybird	Present
Dawn Linehan	Deer	Present
Fareed Baloch	Rabbit	Present
Heather Bruce	Frog	Present
James Cowie	Woodpecker	Apologies
Jan Davies	Squirrel	Apologies
Kayleigh Hales	Badger	Apologies
Lisa Parkinson	Butterfly	Present
Liz Johnson	FLO	Present
Neville Archer	Frog	Present
Pat Myles	Hedgehog	Present
Sally Burston	Head Teacher	Apologies
Yasar Ahmad	Owl	Apologies

Issues discussed;

1. Minutes of Last Meeting

- Agreed.

2. Matters Arising

- Welcome Pack – This is well underway and we hope to bring it to the next Parent Council for a final consultation.
- Display Board – Providing the cost is reasonable we are going ahead with this.
- Training Programme – We have a draft calendar ready, just waiting to hear from teachers with final sessions to add in. We have also been working on sessions for children with restricted diets and siblings.

3. Good News Items

- Parent Mail. The implementation of this, although already begun, was then spearheaded following feedback from the Parent Council about online consents. So far we have had a good response especially for parents signing up to things.

Feedback from the Council was:

- a) Easier to use, especially for paying money**
- b) There are a lot of emails e.g. school dinner balances**
- c) It takes a while to get used new like any new system**
- d) It has been good for parents evening**
- e) Its more organised just being one app**
- f) It is better for trip consents.**

- Parent Survey. Following on from the survey at the end of last academic year we have collated the responses for the whole school as well as breaking it into departments. The response is very positive with 100% of responses agreeing or strongly agreeing to most questions. Where a responder had disagreed we are taking this forward through each department to look at how we can improve.

4. Main Discussion Item – The Curriculum

The Deputy Head Barbara Telford presented the new Delamere Curriculum to the group. BT explained that Ofsted has a new framework focussing on the intent, implementation and impact of the teaching on the child. BT went through the Delamere learning journey, giving a detailed look at what we are teaching and what we intend for the children to be learning. This is broken down for each department, the level of learning for a class and then each individual pupil.

Relationship and Sex Education

In September 2020 new guidance comes into force. We discussed the content and BT sought the Councils views on how it should be delivered, if at

all, in our school. Comments included:

- We need to develop ways for all our children to let us know if something isn't right.
- We need to differentiate it for our children
- There is a cross over to safeguarding
- There is a cross over with the NSPCC Speak out, Stay safe project which we deliver.
- Parts are extremely relevant e.g. online safety
- Age appropriate for our children should refer to developmental age appropriate.

Decisions:

- It is important, good that the relationships come first and appropriate for all children depending on how it is delivered.
- The level of the child should relate to the amount of time dedicated to it.
- Speak out Stay safe is delivered to those children at P7 and above as a stand alone session, for children at lower levels the messages are incorporated in activities to support the theories. Agreed this was a good model. Parent consent is gained for these sessions.
- Agreed the relationship part was important for all, the sex part for those accessing online information / games.
- Stressed it is important for children to know how to let us know if something isn't right.

5. Your Views

- Transition from Infants to Juniors. Could there be one to one meetings with teachers at the start of the year to discuss issues such as toilet training? Parents evening is too late for this. Perhaps a drop in session on the first or second week of term.
- Target Tracker – There is usually a picture and an aim but it is not linked to a target or a PLT for this child, could it be?
- Friends of Delamere – it was noted there were messages re the AGM.

Decisions and recommendations made:

- Relationship and Sex Education should be delivered in some format to all children.
- Important for our children to know how to express themselves if something isn't right.

Date of next meeting: Friday 29th November 2019 at 10:00am.