



## Parent Council Minutes

**Date of Meeting: 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2018**

**Clerk: Liz Johnson**

### Attendance

<b>Name</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Present/Apologies</b>
Rashid Chunara	Rabbit	Present
Matt Hulme	Ladybird	Apologies
Neville Archer	Deer	Present
Yasar Ahmad	Fox	Present
Yvonne Siurtek	Woodpecker	Present
Nathalie Katona	Butterfly	Present
Amanda Whelan	Frog	Apologies
Heather Bruce	Owl	Present
Mark Rossiter	Hedgehog	Present
Jan Davies	Squirrel	Present
Enoch Kiyaga	Badger	Apologies
Liz Johnson	FLO	Present
Sally Burston	Headteacher	Present

### Issues discussed;

#### **1. Minutes of Last Meeting**

Agreed. Please could everyone reply to the email to confirm email address.

#### **2. Matters Arising**

- Measuring the Impact of the Parent Council. Sally handed out a scaling exercise to measure views now and then to be revisited at

the end of the year to establish the impact of the Parent Council.

- Draft Report Templates. Sally showed draft templates drawn together from the discussions last time. Sally will send out via email, any feedback to Sally. Agreed to go ahead with the templates for end of term and evaluate in September once they have been completed and parents receive one.

### **3. NSPCC Speak Out. Stay Safe.**

Sally explained the programme. Discussions then took place in small groups as to the approach to be taken for our children. Feedback given. Sally will send out website links for further reading.

Main points of parent discussion:

Benefits – Prevents abuse, encourage children to be brave and speak out, develop an understanding of acceptable behaviour, abuse happens so needs to be addressed.

Concerns – Children might be afraid / understand they are being abused. How much info can our children take in?

Which Pupils? – All ages and abilities, teacher's discretion. Level of input should be tailored to child's needs. It is part of education e.g. communication.

Which parts of the programme? – All. Depending on ability and understanding. May take a long time to cover.

Preparation for parents – Courses for parents to recognise signs (NSPCC do courses on line) or a leaflet. Regular updates, what's been covered so it can be reinforced at home, tips on language and strategies, face to face meeting, be aware of any religious considerations, reinforce messages through parents evenings.

### **4. Your Views – School Dinners**

The main issues are:

- a) Support at home for children who have a limited diet, strategies for supporting eating, communication about what we do at school and what they eat
- b) Menu choices, perhaps using parentpay
- c) What individualised support is there in school e.g. treats if eaten well, noise, seating, staff, religious requirements (especially for those children who can't express their needs)

Sally and Liz to do some investigation and bring the item for a main item discussion at future meeting.

## Decisions and recommendations made:

- ❖ Everyone to reply to Sally's email to confirm email address
- ❖ Sally to email out draft end of year report templates
- ❖ Sally to email out NSPCC web link
- ❖ Sally and Liz to investigate questions around school dinners

**Date of next meeting:** Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April @ 10am.