



Parent Council Minutes

Date of Meeting: Friday 9th February 2024

Clerk: Liz Johnson

Attendance

Name	Class	Present/Apologies
Amos Amiegbe	Hedgehog	Apologies
Anne-Marie Maguire	Butterflies	Present
Heidi Williams	Frog	Present
Helen Evans	Ladybird	Present
Holly Rigby	Owl	Present
Jade Whitehouse	Badger	Apologies
Jennifer Gilmore	Ladybird Woodpecker	Apologies
Liz Johnson	FLO	Present
Paul Miller	Fox	Apologies
Rachel Fallon	Deer	Present
Robert Addison	Badger Fox	Present
Samantha Dixon	Caterpillar	Present
Sarah Field	Hedgehog	Apologies
Shirely-Anne Gilmore	Rabbit	Present
Sinead Whelan	Owl	Apologies
Sarah Bradley	SEND Local Offer Advisor	Present
Rebecca O'Brien	Childrens Support Officer for Childrens health, Trafford	Present

Issues discussed;

1. Matters Arising

- All agreed minutes were an accurate reflection of last meeting.
- After School Clubs – based on our discussions a survey has gone out to the whole school.
- Life Skills for Little ones – a work in progress!
- Drop ins – Friends of Delamere are launching Chatty Tuesdays, first one 27th February.

2. Main Discussion Item - SEND Padlet

Sarah Bradley and Rebecca O'Brien introduced the SEND Padlet. It is in the development stages at the moment but will be an app for parents to use to find out about services and activities in Trafford. It will link in to the Trafford Directory but be easier to navigate.

The group looked through it on their phones and discussed with Rebecca their views. Rebecca took notes and will pass their thoughts and feedback onto the commissioners.

3. Main Discussion Item – E Safety

As Safer Internet Day was earlier this week, we discussed the use of devices with children and access to a wide range on material on the internet. LJ gave an example of one parent who had stopped the use completely and then reintroduced slowly with strict limits on when to access it, the parent had noticed huge improvements in behaviours and sleep as well as interaction.

Discussion points:

- One parent had replaced the iPad with a book for when out and about and this has been successful
- All agreed you can see the negative effect it has on behaviour
- It is sometimes useful to take ourselves off social media for our own mental health
- Youtube can be difficult to restrict as there are so many devices it can be accessed on. It is also difficult to know what the children are watching and whether it is appropriate.
- Network providers can put restrictions on devices
- If you google the IP address it can tell you all your account information
- Good idea to password protects your devices
- What is appropriate – consider developmental age not chronological, consider child's understanding and vulnerability, strongly consider any interaction with strangers e.g., use of headsets, does your child understand the dangers of this.

We talked about communicating with all Parents

- Send out the example of the parent who removed the devices as an example, perhaps a sound interview? Accompany this with ideas on how to reduce usage
- Get in their early, do a before you start using devices think about..... this could be in the form of a poster / flyer including the positives of devices e.g. education apps
- Information on website about parental controls and how to decide if it is appropriate.
- Perhaps use older children, video them having a chat about the dangers
- Perhaps have a week to focus on it and send out a clip a day?

4. Your Views

Decisions and recommendations made:

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Date of next meeting: Friday 22nd March 2024
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