



## Parent Forum Meeting Minutes

Date	Friday, 11 <sup>th</sup> July at 9.00am			
Attendees:				
	<i>Name</i>	<i>Year Group</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Attended</i>
	Mrs. Fraser	Headteacher		✓
	Mr. Ladyman	Deputy Headteacher		✓
	Mrs. Curtis-Cross	Office Co-Ordinator		✓
	Lalinhika Alvares	Nursery	Little Berries	x
	Gemma Moncada	Nursery	Little Pines	x
	Adina Carda			✓
	Sonali Patil	Nursery	Little Acorns	x
	Kunal Prasad	Reception	Birch	✓
	Rachel Hopkins			x
	Siobhan Connolly	Reception	Hazel	✓
	Sharon Patterson	Reception	Willow	✓
	Uma Macarov			x
	Sannah Khan	Year One	Beech	✓
	<i>Vacant</i>	Year One	Elm	
	Sophie Baker	Year One	Lime	✓
	Richard Rangel	Year Two	Oak	x
	Laurilee Green	Year Two	Plane	✓
	Rhiannon Witney	Year Two	Spruce	x
	Neesha Paik			x
	Neesha Paik	Year Three	Alder	x
	Holly Fox	Year Three	Cedar	x
	Sharon Patterson	Year Four	Ash	✓
	Kamila Dawson	Year Four	Rowan	x
	Laura Nunn			✓
	<i>Vacant</i>	Year Five	Maple	
	Laurilee Green	Year Five	Sycamore	✓
	<i>Vacant</i>	Year Six	Aspen	
	Jayne Bendell	Year Six	Hawthorn	x

*Please note: Parent Forum is to raise questions that reflect a consensus. Individual opinions will not be discussed within meeting and alternative channels of communication must be utilised.*

<i>Issues raised from parents/carers on the online feedback and from the meeting</i>	
Nursery	Nothing to raise.
Reception	1. Can boys wear polo shirts in the summer rather than a shirt and tie, much like girls can wear summer dresses?

	<p>During the recent warmer weather in which we have experienced, boys have been given the opportunity to remove their ties and unbutton their top buttons during the school day.</p> <p>2. Why X/Twitter? Inconsistent posts from classes again. We're excited to confirm that we're looking to move to Instagram from September to which further details will be shared with parents/carers in due course.</p> <p>3. Do we offer summer term Pupil Learning Reviews for children in Reception? No as children will receive an annual report next week. It's only children in nursery who have the opportunity to attend a summer PLR as they do not receive annual reports.</p>
Year One	<p>1. Can PE kits be worn to school on PE days, especially during warmer? We will ensure that PE kits are sent home more frequently to enable parents/carers to wash and return them.</p>
Year Two	<p>1. Twitter/X – Lack of posts from Plane class. This will be shared wider with the Year Two team and Mrs. Fraser will work with the Senior Leadership Team to introduce a tracking system. We're hopeful that this will improve when we move over to Instagram.</p>
Year Three	Nothing to raise.
Year Four	<p>1. Following the class assemblies this week, there appeared to be a fan/projector causing noise towards the back of the hall and lots of ambient noise from younger siblings making it difficult for parents/carers to hear. Previously children have been given microphones. It would have also been nice to see the Headteacher at the assemblies and join in with the celebrations. It felt as though it was poorly represented by the Senior Leadership Team as Miss. South wasn't there either. Mrs. Fraser was there albeit at the back and not for the whole duration. For class assemblies Mrs Fraser leaves introductions etc. to class teachers as they're the ones that have prepared the assembly and put all the effort in. Mrs. Fraser will always be in attendance and will speak during key events like leavers assemblies etc.</p> <p>2. A parent/carer believes that children should have access to shaded areas during break and lunch times and should be provided with an ice lolly. <i>A fellow Year Four parent forum representative as already responded to this on the school's behalf</i></p>
Year Five	<p>1. The recent secondary transfer meeting clashed with the KS1 stay and learn sessions. Can this be considered next year. This has been considered already as diary dates for 2025/26 have already been discussed. An evening meeting will also take place, and the presentation will be shared with parents/carers who are unable to attend.</p>
Year Six	<p>1. The children are getting to that point in the year where they are restless with each other and anxious about secondary school/changing friendship dynamics/the residential trip/leavers production etc. Could the school consider mixing the classes more frequently (such as during PE lessons) to enable wider friendship groups to form? This is a difficult balance to approach as it would work well for some children, but not for all. This year we've introduced new transitional events, such as the recent enrichment day where pupils visited another REAch2 school to participate in outdoor activities and a group picnic.</p>
Whole School	<p>1. This has been previously raised, but the pathway outside the reception drop-off/pick-up area for Hazel class is very crowded and narrow. Can the bushes be trimmed to allow for more space or can parents/carers with children in other classes be directed to walk a</p>

	<p>different route (i.e., via the other gate or the path out the front of the school)?</p> <p>Unfortunately, we're experiencing an ongoing issue with our landscaping contractor which has now been escalated to the trust. Mr. Morris will however give the bushes a trim over the summer should he need to. We'll also encourage parents/carers to walk the other way if necessary. Mrs. Fraser will be on hand to prompt parents/carers about where to stand etc. next week when doing gate duty.</p> <p>2. While parents/carers understand the school does not have jurisdiction, can parents/carers be reminded to be considerate and vigilant when parking nearby.</p> <p>We can confirm that a reminder has been included in the newsletter that will be sent to parents/carers this afternoon. One of our GRPA road safety signs has also recently been moved.</p> <p>3. Will the school be running the government led free breakfast clubs from September?</p> <p>No, not as of yet.</p> <p>4. As per the letter in which was sent to parents/carers yesterday regarding support staff for next year (2025/26), has the new Teaching Assistant, Adebukola Adenuga, been asked to be called Mrs. Bukky?</p> <p>We can confirm that Mrs. Bukky has specifically asked to be referred to as that. All staff are known by their preferred names; this is not something in which the school enforces.</p> <p>5. Travel Tracker badges seem to be inconsistent.</p> <p>Mrs. Fraser to discuss with Mr. Harris.</p> <p>6. Please could there be an alternative place for the children to play ball games in the mornings during drop-off time?</p> <p>No and Mrs. Fraser will raise this within an upcoming assembly and will also discuss mobile phones expectations when on school site, specifically when arriving/leaving the school site.</p>
Positive Feedback	<p>🏆 Positive feedback regarding sports day. Parents/carers agreed that it was better/easier to follow the children around when spectating.</p> <p>☀️ More positive feedback regarding sports day - Staff were outside in the heat all day working hard and just got on with it even if they found it difficult. It did not go unnoticed!</p> <p>🔒 Thank you for providing lockers this year. It helps the children feel more grown up and less things have been lost, broken or damaged.</p> <p>👕 Parents/carers are grateful that children have been allowed to wear PE kits during the warmer weather.</p> <p>🦁 Positive feedback from Reception parents/carers regarding the recent trip to Whipsnade Zoo.</p> <p>👍 Thank you to the staff for their hard work during the warmer weather!</p>
Next Meeting	N/A – End of academic year