

Parent Consultation Group

Date of Meeting: 22nd November 2012

Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Parent Consultation Group
3. Home School Agreement
4. Equality Policy
5. Date of next Meeting

Name of child	Year Group Representing	Name of Adult	Signed
James Thompson	Nursery	Vin Thompson	Attended
Charlotte Dilworth	Nursery	Kate Dilworth	Attended
Max Kirkbride	Reception	Kelly Kirkbride	Attended
Freya Dobson	Reception	Debs Dobson	Attended
Benjamin Fowler	Year 1		Apologies
Rosa Tinsley	Year1	Victoria Tinsley	Attended
Lucy Carr	Year 2	Laura Carr	Attended
Regan Jackson	Year 2	Sharon Jackson	Attended

Minutes:

1. Apologies from Mr Fowler he will be unable to attend day time meetings. Mrs Taylor will ask another representative from Year 1 to join us at the next meeting.
2. Individuals introduced themselves and talked about working together as a group for this year.
3. Discussed the purpose of a Parent Consultation Group and that some information is confidential whilst it is in its draft form.
4. Home School Agreement - It is a government requirement for all schools to have a home school agreement
 - Initial concern of the amount of reading for those EAL parents or those who struggle with Literacy. Class teachers will need to take time to explain/ go through the Home school with parents they feel might have difficulties.
 - Its name - maybe change it to Home School Partnership -as partnership between home and school and seems less harsh than an agreement
 - All the good support and advice school offers parents and the role of the PSA should be highlighted in the role of the school talked about splitting one sentence.
 - The problems parents face when trying to support their children with their homework, especially EAL parents and that it would be good to highlight the importance of asking for support. Could school provide an after school homework club were parents are supported in supporting their children.
 - Reason for Absence - does it have to be in writing or does Mrs Shannon take into account phone calls made by parents informing absence?
 - Discussed financial issues parents face - could PSA or the Children's Centre provide a drop in session for help with Financial issues families face.
 - The group felt strongly that the Home School Agreement should include abiding by the Farnborough Road restrictions as some parents still use the school car park and drive down Farnborough Road despite signs and newsletter reminders.
 - Thought the recent Friendship week was a good message for pupils and that looking after each other and being a good friend should be included in the pupil role.
 - We ran out of time to discuss the Equality Policy but would reconvene to discuss.

Next meeting 17th January 2012 2.30 pm

