

## Minutes of Meeting of Parents' Forum

9.30 am Tuesday 26 April 2016

**Present:** Vicky Ball, Tracey Mawby, Heather Powell, Helen Ford, Andleeb Khan, Karen Cooper -Link Teacher, Juliet Hart, Head teacher, Laura Lyons, bursar

**Apologies:** Linda Marsden, Deb Tull

### 1) School Uniform provider

Following various difficulties obtaining stock and product dissatisfaction with Tesco school uniform orders we have decided to look at finding an alternative provider with *Total Clothing* - a locally based supplier. As a comparison some of the items are cheaper, with free returns and no delivery charge. (Tesco delivery charge is £3 and the stock has been limited with some items not available for long periods).

In addition *Total Clothing* will donate 5% cashback to the school on all orders, this includes PE and book bags. We hope *Total clothing* will be able to have a stall at the School Fete in June and have sample sizes to try. In addition there will also be a second hand uniform stall at the fete.

**Action: Laura Lyons to make further inquiries with the company.**

### 2) Parent Survey

The results of the recent Parent Survey have been put on the school website under the Parents' Forum section. Many positive comments were received and most people rated the school aims very highly. Two areas for development are Citizenship – allowing children to help make decisions in school and Engaging with the wider community. We are working on these areas. We have Diversity Day coming up on Friday May 20<sup>th</sup> and we have linked up with the Knighton Neighbourhood Forum who will be coming in to meet the school council next week. The group is interested in the school becoming a hub for Forum.

**Action: On-going activities including Diversity Day May 20<sup>th</sup> (parents will be invited in at the end of the day)**

### 3) Open Lunchtime Invitation

We are hoping to hold another Open Lunchtime Invitation to parents in June. Parents have asked for a tour of the kitchen as before and to be able to eat with their children and try school food.

**Action: KC to organise a date with the school kitchen.**

**4) Donations of Plants for the fete**

If parents/grandparents have surplus flowering or vegetable plants please would they consider donating them for sale at the school fete in June? Please get in touch with the PA or school office.

**Action: Information put on website and on the newsletter**

**5) Family Cookery Club**

Our new after school family cookery club **Just Cook for Fun!** has just had its first successful run, but we would like to make more families aware of the club. The next session starts Wednesday 27 April for five weeks and we are hoping to run a final club Thursday June 9<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> July. If you are interested in taking part please get in touch with Mrs Cooper or inform the office. An adult must accompany children. We will put information on the dining hall noticeboard.

**Action: Mrs Cooper to promote more widely with parents and children**

**6) Y2-3 Transition**

Mrs Hart would like to meet with parents who would like to discuss the transition arrangements from Y2-Y3 on Tuesday 17 May 2.30-3.15pm. If you are interested please contact the office or Mrs Cooper to confirm your attendance.

**Action: Meeting Tues 17 May 2.20 pm**

**7) Next meeting**

**Action: Dates of next meeting in June TBC**

**Karen Cooper, Parents' Forum Link teacher.**

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