

PARENT PANEL Meetings 2.00pm & 6.00pm - Wednesday 19th June 2019

2.00pm Meeting - Present:

Mrs S Williams (Head Teacher) Mrs E Sidaway (Admin Officer)
Miss Taylor Mrs Baker Mrs Brogden Mrs Maxwell Mr Logan

NURSERY: Nursery numbers have increased and several parents are paying for top-up sessions for their children. Nursery is doing really well.

FOUNDATION: Foundation numbers have increased this year, back to two full classes in September. Foundation at present has 30 children, these will go as up to year 1 as one cohort. Mrs Redfearn will be going into year 1 with these children. Mrs Shipley will be the EYP in that class.

STAFFING: Foundation will have Mrs Berry, Miss Vessy and Miss Hancock. Miss Hancock is currently in Nursery so she will follow these children into Foundation.

Miss Field will be going into Nursery, Miss Field has a lot of experience in Early Years.

Miss Vessy will be Foundation Lead, however Mrs Redfearn in her position as Assistant Head will oversee Nursery, Foundation, and year 1. There is no split year 1/2 classes now.

Year 2 Miss Dougan, Mrs Thompson is going into year 2, Mrs Thompson is our phase lead she will line manage Miss Dougan and work together to get the children ready for KS2.

We have a new teacher going into year 3 Miss East, Mrs Beacher will be going into the other year 3 class. In year 4 classes we have Mrs Summerland and Mrs Lowry in the other year 4 class who will be joined with Mrs Herrick when she returns from her maternity leave spring two.

Miss Smith will be the year 5 class teacher just as a one class, it's a small class of 32. We will still keep the two classes but Miss Smith will do central input then they will move into smaller groups to work.

Year 6 will have Mrs Abrams and Mr Nothard, Mrs Abrams is a phase leader and will lead year 6.

Transition have started already and the members of staff that are working with us from September have been in for the transition day. The transition days have ironed out any niggles or worries that the children might have had before September. We have had a few concerns but they have been more about friendship issues.

MAINTENANCE: Paddy and his paintbrush this summer!

GARDENS/GROUNDS: Grounds maintenance - We have come out of the local authority contract now and have sourced our own gardeners, their doing a really good job and the gardens are looking much nicer.

FIELD: Our sports days have always been at the bottom of the track due to the uneven ground, over the past few months our grounds maintenance have been filling in with top soil and seeding, this year the sports day will be held near the school now, this will be easier for access to toilets, teas & coffees and the PA system. Sports day will be held in the mornings this year - by holding the events earlier this gives us more time in July if needed to change due to the unpredictable weather!

NEW LIBRARY: The cabin will be going ahead this summer. Funds have come from the government and some of the Friends of Oakfield money we are able to get not only the library but some reading huts and some book shares. The cabin can also be used for wellbeing and pastoral groups.

The present library could be used as a group room or maybe a DT centre, we could have portable cookers and science equipment located in there.

Vinyl floor will be going down in the foundation area, we already have it in the nursery and has been really easy to keep clean.

Christmas Panto will be going ahead this year, it's all booked for the last day Thursday, and children will be able to come to school in their Christmas jumpers. The panto is booked for the morning.

PLAYTIMES/LUNCHTIMES: Lots of extra new playground equipment has been purchased and playground leaders have undertaken training using our Sports Premium money. Pupils can access the 'Fast Mile' in the Hall, the outside 'Mile', the Adventure playground, the Fitness equipment, Skipping groups, Connect 4, Jenga, Football, and Hockey at break times/lunchtimes. Looking forward to some nicer weather so the children can go outside and enjoy learning sitting on the new benches on the field. Library is available playtimes & lunchtimes, we have a basket of books ready to go outside for children to read on the field.

The new surface for the adventure playground is happening over the holidays, the money has come from the Tesco's tokens.

PUPIL GROUPS Our children are still taking part in lots of initiatives around school. All groups continue to be very much involved in the running of our school. We have a group of children that help out with worship and a group of children that help out in foundation, this is working really well.

STUDENT COUNCIL: School council - take active roles in school, supporting other children. They continue to work really well.

HOUSE COLOUR T-SHIRTS: All children will be wearing their house colour t-shirts for sports day and events, children will be able to wear their house colours. T-shirts will be kept in school and can be worn when they participate in team sports activities.

HEAD GIRL/BOY DEPUTY GIRL/BOY: We have discussed it today with all the children today in year 5, we have issued pro-forma just to talk about school leadership, what do you understand about the role, if you are interested in applying to apply in writing, we would like to appoint before we break up so they are in place before September.

BOOSTER SESSIONS/AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: Our Booster sessions continue to be well supported. We have a wide variety of After School Clubs they have all been very popular this term, they continue to free of charge apart from Paddy's multi-sports.

BREAKFAST CLUB: The Breakfast Club continues to be very popular with an average of 30 children attending each morning. The children are offered toast/cereals/fruit/juice/milk or water and enjoy various activities led by staff members. We offer a good deal for £1.

PARKING: Mr Logan mentioned that the parking restrictions are being reviewed. The chair of the council for the public space and highways is now involved. Mr Logan sent emails to chase the progress, just waiting for a response.

READING RECORDS/JOURNALS: They have worked really well this year, we have decided to get them again for September, and the only change will be the 5 reads at home and the school reading section that needs to be adjusted to record reads on those days. (These have been ordered and will be distributed the first week back in September) Stamps have been purchased for stamping reading in school or by a reading leader. Those children that don't read at home are signposted to a reading leader. We encourage as much as we can.

HOMEWORK: Parents agreed there was a good standard of Homework although a concern was expressed over the quality of the copies, sometimes they are difficult to read.

BEHAVIOUR/DOJO: Dojos - Are they happening? Improvement in consistency but depending on timing, better than it was. It needs to be that day, you can't catch it back when you need to address anything with the children. Agreed by all panel that this is happening. All classes have their own iPad, so teaching assistants can issue dojos whilst the children are working on that activity at that time.

BIKE SHED: -We still have Paddy situated near the bike shed during mornings and we have spoken to the children. It seems to be a lot calmer.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY - Melanie Maxwell spoke about the children's university and someone would be contacting us regarding this scheme.

This meeting closed at 3.15pm.