Parent Forum - 11/02/25

Parents: Miss Wright, Mrs Wright, Mrs Bainbridge, Ms Evans, Mrs Mansel

We discussed the potential of a 'wear and share' idea which everyone thought was a great idea, a communication will be sent out to explain this idea.

Wellbeing Day:

Very positive feedback. Children came home very tired but talked about the activities they had done, forest school was a big hit as was the throwing away worries and writing positive affirmations. The opportunity to mix with other year groups and teachers was very welcomed.

Winter fair:

The fair being held at the end of January had a mixed response. Some thought that we possibly missed out on money making opportunities as no Santa and that people generally have less money after Christmas. However, the point was made that it brightened up the period after Xmas and it was the end of January so perhaps more money was available again. Feedback that some of the stalls were expensive but we explained that we had no jurisdiction over the stall holders.

Attendance:

General consensus was that more clarification was needed regarding how many days could be taken within a certain time frame without being penalised. Perhaps an email can go out to whole school not just to those who have asked for holiday.

Response:

This was sent out with a link to the new attendance policy.

Parking:

Mentioned the parking at the pub and to park at the village hall. Not everyone knew the route and it was suggested that perhaps the travel ambassadors could make a short video showing the route and perhaps a map could be emailed out to all parents.

Response:

Happy to do a video with the ATAs. They would love it!

Communication:

Seems to be a lack of consistency with communication with class reps.

It was suggested that a board should be placed in the playground at the beginning and end of the day with reminders and activities.

Response:

We feel we communicate well as a school through the newsletter and emails. If we have a busy week ahead, we send reminders on email. We will ask The Friends to discuss communication with the class reps.

Reading plus and TT rockstars:

There was only one parent who could comment on this. She said that enthusiasm is there are the beginning but wears off as there are no incentives. TT rockstars was better when teachers posted the leaderboard.

Response:

We have found in the past that posting the leaderboard did cause a few issues with children who didn't make it to the board.

Phonics:

Reception parents who attended would like Leah to do an update to parents termly regarding phonics /maths expectations and guidance (in person).

Response:

There will be a phonics workshop on Wednesday 2nd April for Reception and KS1.

School Calendar/Term Dates:

Positive feedback was given that we set our dates so far in advance. This is very helpful to parents. However, it was queried as to whether or not we would consider/trial a different layout for our term dates and holiday dates. Sometimes the Inset days cause confusion and it would be good to have a 'School Term Starts/Back to School' annotation also.

Response:

Thank you for this feedback, happy to trial this with the next set of dates.