

Parent Forum Feedback from Meeting (02/10/23)

Questions Raised:

School Meals: Some parents raised the concern that their children are often hungry when they come home and say the portion sizes were not big enough. Also reports that the dining hall was not very clean whilst children are eating.

Response:

Mrs Martin has spoken to HCC and they are going to look into portion sizes and whether it is possible to offer extra pasta for those children who are remaining hungry. With regard to the dining tables, they are wiped down with hot soapy water after each child has vacated the table, the MSAs do try to keep the floor clean whilst lunchtime service is on. Mrs Martin is very happy for parents to visit the school during lunchtime service to see how the operation runs.

French Club: asked about the possibility of French Club being provided after school instead of lunchtimes and if it could be offered to Reception and Year 1.

Response:

Hayley was asked if she has any availability before/after school but at this time she doesn't. All children Years 1-6 are taught French as part of the curriculum and French Club will be introduced into reception and Year 1 after half term.

September Transition Meetings – We were asked if we could communicate the dates of the transition meetings in September at the end of the summer term so that parents have time to book time off work. We were also asked if the nativity/carol concert dates could be sent out soon to allow planning for time off.

Response:

The calendar is in the process of being updated and the school will endeavour to send dates of transition meetings / PE days as early as possible. Nativity and Carol Concert dates are now available on the website calendar. The transition dates were sent with some other dates before the summer break but we will ensure the communication is clearer in future.

Parent Consultations – a few people commented that because we only have two, they feel they are not kept up to date with how their child is doing. It was asked if there could be more communication perhaps in reading records or a communication mid-term with key bullet points of what their child needs to work on. Parents suggested an email with some good things and a suggestion of what to work on.

Response:

At present parents receive 3 reports, 2 parents evenings and termly book looks. Mrs Martin has said that the Senior Leadership Team and herself will look into altering the reports to reflect some target setting for children to work on. Parents are welcome also to make a quick appointment with their child's class teacher if they have concerns or want some more information.

Class Communication:

It was mentioned that a parent was not aware that their child was starting French in class or about the protective behaviours. A couple of parents asked for a weekly plan to be sent out especially if they are starting a new topic.

Medium term plans for each class are displayed on the schools website which gives an overview of the topics your child will be covering. In future letters will be sent out to advise you if whole class interventions are taking place.

Homework – Year 6 parents felt that there should be more set homework.

As detailed in an email sent in 2021 and following information provided by [Education Endowment Foundation research](#) we decided to re-evaluate our homework policy. The original email sent in 2021 is attached. Year 6 have been given their SATs revision books to work through at home, there are also links websites on the medium-term plans displayed on the website to support children's learning. Class teachers are also happy to sign post parents to areas of learning.

Teaching Staff Photos – It was commented that it would be useful to have pictures of all staff on our website so parents knew who everyone was.

All staff are had their photos taken on Monday and these will be displayed on the website and we hope to put them in the school reception area as well.