

## Parent Forum Agenda/Mins

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30pm

Present: Present: Pre-School/Rec/Yr1/2/3/4/5/6

Apologies:

Item		Action
1. Agree minutes from previous meeting.	Parents suggested to support resources in school that teachers might wish to make Amazon teachers wish list. Thank you for the tissues supplied.	Teachers make wish lists.
2. Actions from the previous meeting		
3.	<p>1. <b>PLACE PLANNING UPDATE</b> (School closures)/New Intake Tours            – 2 more visits to complete 10<sup>th</sup> Dec and 6<sup>th</sup> Jan at 3.15pm.            Available school class places - <b>Reception 24/Yr1 30/ Yr2 22/ Yr3 30/ Yr4 30/ Yr5 28/ Yr6 28</b>. School has received no further information regarding place planning.</p> <p>2. <b>SCHOOL COMMUNICATION CHANGES</b> – this is changing. as you are all aware we are looking into effective cost savings. With this in mind we have changed our contracts with some of our external platforms to streamline our systems - i.e. OTrack (assessment system) has gone, Arbor has been extended and our use of T2P will be drastically reduced until it is no longer needed as each text message that we send costs us money. With this focus, we will be changing our communication strategy to parents:            - Text messages will only be used for safeguarding purposes - i.e. first aid/medical and debt collection reminders.            - Emails to be used to communicate with parents (a text message will NOT be sent to instruct them they have an email!).            - Seesaw will also be used by classes for announcements. Jenny has access to this as well so parents will begin to.            Our office hours are also changing - our school office will only be manned between 8.30am and 4pm. Parents will be informed of this via Parent Forum.</p> <p>3. <b>ANY UPDATES YOU FEEL WOULD BE HELPFUL- LEARNING FOCUS FOR PARENTS -</b>  <a href="https://www.nettlestoneprimaryschool.co.uk/">https://www.nettlestoneprimaryschool.co.uk/</a>            Workshops run:            Phonics            Reading Maths – classes and working with children            ESafety            Showcase Assemblies</p>	

	<p>Nativity/Carol Service/Singing Round the Tree KS Celebration Assemblies</p> <p><b>4. OCTOBER HALF TERM ABSENCE</b> 31 days of lost learning - Another reason for this timely reminder was that for the last week of half term our attendance was only 93.6%.</p> <p><b>5. NATIVITY</b> 15<sup>th</sup> Dec Mon 1.30pm/5pm 16<sup>th</sup> Dec Tues 5pm Plea – all children need to attend all performances as it is not fair on the evening performances for the children when their peers do not attend. This will be monitored – and we may, for future event, have to make the second evening an afternoon (pm event).</p>	
4.	<p><b>Any questions to HOS by Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> please.</b></p> <p>Road parking information to be sent out with newsletter to remind people of parking zones and the need to walk.</p> <p>Sensible and safe parenting – parents discussed how they had observed children – every our very Little Learners – being allowed to run up the school drive way and staying with parents. Concerns were raised about how children could run into the run, as well as how parents are allowing children to use Nettlestone Green as a playground. HOS stated that we do have a playpark near to school which is safe for children to use and that we will remind parents of the necessity to keep their children close at all times. Nobody wants to have a child hurt on the road.</p> <p>Summer uniform – are we considering changes? – no consultation of uniform in the plan at the moment due to additional costs that parents would then incur. We do however ensure that children are requested to remove ties on hot days and a note for PE kits is always sent out as well.</p>	<p>Email PCSO for parking support.</p> <p>Information in Newsletter – road safety week.</p>
	<p><b>Next meeting – 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2025 at 2.30pm</b></p>	

