

Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 14th November 2016

Time: 7.30pm – 9.45pm

Location: Bowmansgreen Primary School – Staff room

Attendees

Parents: Lee David; Claire Nikitas; Julia Brent; Lisa Pearson; Susan Nickolds; Sam Gentleman; Mark Castle; Sarah Klinger; Lisa Smith; Rob Webb; Justyna Stuart; Fiona Taylor

School: Ms A Lippa (Headteacher)

Apologies for absence: Abigail Bude; Julie Hudson

Agenda

- Welcome and review of actions from previous meeting
- Items raised by Parent Council:
 - Parking around the school gates
 - Cockerel cards / Maths Factor
- Items raised by School:
 - Questionnaire
- A.O.B.

Points Noted

Review of Actions from previous meeting

The actions from the previous meeting were reviewed. It was agreed that defibrillator information would be forwarded to Ms Lippa.

Items raised by Parent Council:

- **Parking around the school gates**

Issues concerning traffic and parking outside the main school entrance (Telford Road / Manor Road) were discussed, regarding the safe crossing of these roads at the start and end of the school day. Views and ideas were shared on the difficulties and what might improve the crossing areas.

Ms Lippa advised that the new PCSO was visiting the school the next day, and the traffic and parking issues would be discussed.

- **Cockerel cards / Maths Factor**

There was some discussion about the cockerel card system in terms of how it works in practice. Some parents raised concerns about consistency and how it is working for all children.

It was noted that the new Maths Factor online homework tool seems to be going very well with positive feedback from pupils, and that parents do need prompts to be clear on what is required.

Items raised by school

- **Questionnaire**

Ms Lippa noted that as part of finalising the school plan, she was keen to receive feedback on the Staff Questionnaire from the parent council. The parent council shared views and feedback on the questions to Ms Lippa.

A.O.B.

Homework – Ms Lippa advised that she would not stop teachers setting homework over holidays, but she was passionate about family time. Some parents expressed views on project work homework.

Growth Mindsets – There was very positive feedback on the promotion of growth mindsets to pupils at Bowmansgreen. It was suggested that the parent council could support and build on this by looking at how to promote growth mindsets at home. It was agreed that a parent council working party will take this forward.

Next Meeting

Date: Tuesday 24th January 2017

Time: 7.30pm

Next Meeting – Draft Agenda Items

- Welcome and review of actions from previous meeting
- Items raised by Parent Council:
 - Reading log journals
 - Creativity
- Items raised by School:
 - Celebration Assembly
- A.O.B.

Action Items

- Send defibrillator information to Miss Lippa (Sarah Klinger)
- Growth Mindset Working party to meet to discuss promotion of Growth Mindsets at home (Lee David, Fiona Taylor, Lisa Smith)