

Parents' Forum Meeting 11th November 2016

Present: Mrs Aldridge, Mrs Grundy, Ms Waite, Mrs Porter, Ms Cecil, Mrs Dyke, Mrs Creed

Apologies: None

Matters Arising:

1. **Homework** – Mrs Grundy asked parents if they had seen much change in the homework being issued and they confirmed they had and thought it was more parent heavy now. It was explained that it was of a more investigation style, with spelling patterns rather than lists but spelling tests were still taking place in class.
2. **Delivery Drivers** - Parents stated that the planters looked nice outside school and hopefully this would now discourage the drivers from parking on the pavement. It was suggested that one of the planters could be moved to the other side of the nursery door.
3. **Flat being built behind school** – There is currently no building taking place on the land and Mrs Grundy confirmed that after speaking to someone from Carnells they were only looking to develop the barn and not build on the land behind school.
4. **Parents outside the gate** – We keep putting this issue on the bulletin but parents are still staying inside the gate when their child has been dismissed. Mrs Grundy to reinforce with staff that children must not be dismissed until parents inside school grounds.
5. **USB Sticks** – Looking into purchasing a quantity of small USB sticks to sell with photos on rather than parents sending in to have photos added to in case there is a computer virus transferred into school on home usb sticks.
6. **Federation News** – Mrs Grundy confirmed that with effect from 1st November we are part of Trinity Federation and a letter was being issued today to parents with full details.
7. **School Values/ Badges** – Mrs Grundy showed the uniform samples with the new badges on and all present liked the new uniform. It was confirmed that all children will need to wear uniform with the new badge from September next year, so please don't buy any more uniform this year – if you need new uniform in the meantime please contact school as PTFA/ school have plenty we can offer. Parents liked the new posters in classrooms showing values.

Bednall Church Country Fayre - In June next year Mrs Pom Fuller has requested that we would like local schools to be involved in the event. Mrs Grundy met with her recently and explained that we have lots of events on around this time. Mrs Fuller requested that if any parents would like to be on the committee for this event to please get in touch.

AOB –

Clubs - Could there please be a gym/dance club, particularly aimed at girls. If clubs are oversubscribed it was requested that they be repeated the next half term and the children who weren't offered a place first time round get offered places first. Parents particularly liked dodgeball club. Need to check with Mrs Sharman if she know which children did not get place last year.

Chocolate Bingo - Was suggested that all children who attended were given an Easter egg and the prizes did not contain as many eggs. PTFA to investigate possibility of foodbank or using some eggs for cooking activities in school.

Parking - Parking outside school at drop off and collection times is still an issue. Please do not block other cars in, if you can't get a car park space then please park elsewhere (there are always space on the Methodist Car Park) and walk to school.