Minutes for parent forum meeting 13th June 2024

Parent representatives present: Ellie, Christiane, Aurelie, Josie

Chair: James (HT) Minutes: James

1. Review of minutes from 6th March 2024

Item 3 – LOSC – Pros – chn no longer must walk a sizeable distance to the LOSC venue; Pupils will be able to join in after-school clubs and events like movie nights and receive the school's after-school provision.

Negatives – Small facilities/ issues with toilet. JP clarified that the mobile is only one of the rooms available for LOSC usage. They can use the hall post 4pm also art room/ home technology area/ outside field/ forest school etc.

Unsafe access. JP clarified that pupils will be collected by the school hall

Item 4 – Class selection programme - Reps are happy with current arrangements.

Item 5 – Home learning – Parents requested age-appropriate sanction for not completing work. E.g. failure to read three times – reflection

Homework – provision to be reviewed post-SATs. Clarification in September.

Reading journal – better communication needed. Popular approach to home learning for more advanced readers.

Item 6 – Toilets – agreed- toilets are cleaner. Query – is the soap topped-up regularly?

LVC toilet provision – improving.

2. Headship vacancy

JP clarified reasons for his resignation. The Bellbird Primary School – new challenge; through-going primary school versus junior school; larger size of school. Clarification about recruitment process – likely to take place in the autumn term for January commencement.

3. Ideas about after-school care provision

As above. Josie to send parental comments to JP.

4. Class selection process

No further improvements. Parents appreciated the selection criteria phrase – "...select 4 pupils with whom your child will learn with the best." – Not necessarily who you are friends with.

5. Comments from parents

Y6 residential - Aylmerton – despite considering alternative Y6 residential venues, parents appreciated the professionalism with which Aylmerton is run. Great activities and great value for money. It was felt that the children were not given large enough portion sizes of food.

Racist incident to be addressed 14.6.24

Lunchtime football. New system of lunchtime matches needs to be better communicated with parents.

It was an advantage that more pupils now played football, esp girls.

In newsletter – specify which year groups swimming/ PE on which days.

Parent council needs to be better advertised, so that PC receive more comments for meeting discussion.

6. AOB/next meeting date

New academic year TBC.