



Bosmere Community Primary School

19th September 2019

Minutes

PARENT FORUM

Present: 9 Parent Representatives

1.	Welcome / Parent Forum ground rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Welcome back / Introductions – any new faces Mrs Way welcomed new members to Parent Forum
2.	New Build	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Walk Around – new classrooms / toilets! A tour of the new extension was made to those present.
3.	New website	<ul style="list-style-type: none">What are the most important things for you as parents to see / easiest ways to access Mrs Way showed those present the new website (due to go live at the end of this month). From email: <i>The things I would like to be able to access most easily on the school website are school dinners without the moving swirling graphics with a link to payments most of all, then a clear calendar and policies.</i> <i>The biggest improvement would be a website on a mobile accessible site. – All of these concerns have been addressed.</i> Phases will have their own pages with regular updates. There will also be blogs/ newsletters created to keep you up to date. Mrs Way asked those present if there was anything they specifically would like to see. <ol style="list-style-type: none">Letters section easily visible.Useful to have “how to.. video tutorials.”Fast maths templates for practice at home.Practice papers pre SATs or links to online practice papers.
4.	Policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">SEN Policy – Wave 1 Strategy New SEN Policy – Mrs Way gave an overview to those present. The “Wave1 strategies” policy has been drawn up alongside other SEN teachers and refers to general learning difficulties in the early stages, before any SEN diagnosis is investigated.
5.	SDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Overview The School Development Plan (SDP) overview was shown to those present, to inform about our way ahead for the forthcoming year. This document is always “live” and updated regularly. There are 6 main focus areas. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Effective Leadership and ManagementProgress and Attainment of Disadvantaged LearnersSchool Approach to teaching writing – whole school sentence stackingMastery teaching in Maths – staff are currently in training to teach maths at a mastery level.A mind wealthy BosmereSchool Approach to Guided Reading.

6.	Open Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purple Mash – what is it? This is a program that is used in school but children can log on at home. • Laptops in school are getting old and we are investigating purchases of i-pads, although funding is a concern. Representatives of the PFA suggested they may be able to assist with funding. • Reading Challenge – a work in progress. Concerns from last year as some children didn't get on board straight away and then could potentially miss out on an end of year treat. This is being tweaked and maybe recorded over shorter periods. Our current plan will be to offer the top % of children, not necessarily only those who have read 100% of the time. Our aim is to encourage reading at home as teachers cannot hear every child read, every day. • DoJo's to have parental access? This is not currently planned as there are extra costs involved and it may not provide the depth of information parents are looking for. • Reception toilets some children struggling to use these facilities, due to mess on the floor. Early Years teachers to address individual cases. • Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) – Will Y2 get log ins? We don't normally send these home until the summer term. However, maybe those learners who are keen can have their log ons. Possibly a letter can be sent to parents of Y2 children, without the expectation of it being used. LW will discuss this with the Maths team.
7.	AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Car parked items" - None • Future Meeting Dates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2.30pm Wednesday 30th October 2019 (How to teach maths sessions & website feedback). ○ 9am Thursday 16th January 2020