



FAMILY HUB MEETING

Minutes of meeting held on Thursday 11th February 2016, at 1.30pm

Present: Stephanie Cartmel (SC), Geoff Barnett (GB), Nicola Williams (NW), Chris Headland (CH), Lynda Bowen (LB), Jenny Beswick (JB), Terri Probert (TP)

Apologies: Rebecca Quayle, Louise Cooke, Kay Redhead, Vicky Passmore, Diane Rollinson
3 members of the School Council also attended the first part of the meeting: JR, EW, LL

Minute Taker: Anne Fraser (AF) School Support Officer

1. Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 17th December 2015 agreed by GB and seconded by CH.

2. Matters arising

None.

3. School Council Question Time

The School Council Reps introduced themselves, then talked about children coming in through the late door. SC explained procedures and monitoring for children's attendance and persistent lateness and how it affects children's self-esteem.

The children were asked what they thought of the school dinners and they said they like the roast dinners and they fill them up!

Wellbeing day tomorrow – 'Go a mile every day' School Council to trial how far it is to walk a mile.

Playtimes – Football goals have arrived and been built, new balance bikes have been ordered.

4. Latest News

Year 2 Cookery Classes will be starting on 22nd February based at and run by Maes Owen. Free course to help children familiarise with the Junior School and learn about healthy lifestyles.

Year 2 Assemblies have gone well – Chinese New Year and Bird themes. More class assemblies to follow.

Parents' evenings when we come back to school, slips going out today.





5. Open Day

Wednesday 16th March - Governors and Parent Reps can come for the whole morning and lunch/whole day for a tour of the school – invitations to follow.

6. Reps Feedback

Lunches - It was asked how much time the children have to eat lunch as some children had said they had been hurried. SC explained the eating environment and supervision arrangements. Children have around 25 minutes to eat their lunch to give them time to get out for some fresh air too! For children on school meals it was mentioned that children like to opt out of foods, but are also encouraged to try things as tastes can change. A board with photographs of the meal on that day may help children know what they are being offered, as the counter is quite high – AF will look into getting photos. Children are allowed 1 unhealthy treat in their packed lunches, a list of packed lunch ideas went out with the newsletter at the beginning of the school year – some photographs of good lunch box ideas may be helpful – AF to get some pictures for newsletters.

It was discussed about painting and protecting uniforms – that aprons are available. New uniform is available from First Class Clothes and they do allow payment in instalments. If parents don't want to buy brand new uniform, the school has a 'good as new' stock which is available at a small cost. SC to advertise on the newsletter for donations which we will display on sale at coffee shop. Anyone is welcome to attend any of the coffee shops.

The impact of reading at home was discussed – parents have seen real improvements and motivation from children in Year 2 since the reading meeting and class competitions. There will be a meeting for Year 1 and Reception parents to roll it out to them too after half term. Parents asked if books could be changed more than once a week in Year 1 and whether library books could be logged in the reading book, SC said sharing information together is a good idea.

7. Date of next Meeting

Next meeting arranged for Wednesday 23rd March 2016 with a suggestion to play board games afterwards.

Parents then met with their children in the Library for a craft session with Chris Gentleman.

