



Fairfield First School

Parent Forum Agenda

10th April 2024

Members present: K. Turner, c. Mole, A. Roche, O. Storey, K. Russon, L. Gibson, P. Dhami, J. Walker-Spensley, S. Smith

Apologies: T. Stevens, N. Gladwin, S. Sulglani, N. Clark, J. Dunkley

Aims: The main aim is: *To hold an open form of communication between families and school.*

- **Armageddon! –**

Sports Day, Family Picnic and Summer Fayre all on the same day. Arranged in this way to help families having time off work, only having to attend school once.

Parents still enjoyed this day and wouldn't want it to change.

Suggested that FVCA could be approach to organise hots drinks?

Would Swan or Plough and Harrow offer prizes/discount for Summer Fayre? Or even a discount for families staying around between picnic and Summer Fair to help local economy?

- **Charity/collections/non-uniform days etc –**

More difficult for school to ask for donations these days due to financial climate, less use of physical cash, less banks to deposit cash.

Suggested that a standing donation is placed on ParentPay, that families could choose to pay at any point. This could be highlighted at various times of the year or when families have to pay for other events. Parkside do something similar SS to discuss with them.

It would be important to inform families how much has been raised and where money has gone. Families would like to help, where possible.

- **PTFA –**

Discussion on the change of PTFA due to more parents/carers now being at work.

It was suggested that members of the parent Forum could support the PTFA in planning out the year and drumming up increase support.

- **General Questions –**

Will Oak Class line up on the playground at the morning bell?

This will be discussed with the Oak Class team. We wouldn't want to upset children again. SS to remind families that older siblings can enter school via the Oak Class door. This could also be written into the new starter information

The use of zone boards was mentioned

This should be consistent across the school and primarily a positive approach to behaviour. Highlighted more in Oak Class as we set standards and get children used to what is expected here at Fairfield. Consequences should be appropriate to actions. Consensus that, as behaviour is good across school the system is effective.

Star of the Week – should staff tell children on a Friday, as often parents congratulate children at the end of the day but at that point can't tell them why or celebrate further.

This will be mentioned to the staff team.

Can there be more after school clubs for Oak Class

We are aware that we need to re-establish some of our after-school offering. There will be an after-school club for Oak Class next half term. Numbers for clubs are always kept to 20 to ensure a quality session.

This was a really positive meeting with lots of lovely comments around our staff and provision, thank you for your time.