

Parent Forum

Meeting date: 16/11/17

Agenda items:

1. Sharing school priorities
2. Travel plan
3. Family learning
4. Any other business brought up by parents.

1. As a school we have a School Development Plan (SDP). We are keen to share some of the key priorities with parents and ask for support from home in achieving them. We discussed the best way to disseminate this information to parents and we also talked about three key priority areas.

Three of the school's priorities this year are:

- The improvement of our national data.
- Ensuring the curriculum is broad and deep.
- Increasing the fluency of reading.

Actions

Send out a letter to all parents stating the three priorities as a paper copy to elevate the importance of the content.

On the back of the letter, devise a help sheet for parents that will enable them to support the improvement of fluency for their child/ren when at home.

2. It was decided that a formal travel plan may not have the impact that we need but that it was important that we increase vigilance for our children's safety at drop off and pick up times. The biggest problems are unsafe parking, driving too fast past the school's entrance and people driving up the driveway when they have not sought express permission.

Actions

It was decided that pupil voice would be the hardest hitting so school will organise a poster campaign for the children to get their point across about their safety and these will be displayed and shared on upcoming newsletters.

3. Family learning was discussed in terms of the serious reduction of external support in early help services and what we can do as a school to try to support our families. It was decided that the family learning that we already provide works effectively and should not be changed. It was also decided that capitalising on the support that the school receives from parents was a positive way of building relationships.

Actions

We will be putting on another set of whole school family workshops on the afternoons of the 12th to the 15th February 2018 as part of 'Pride in Kidderminster' week. These will involve parents and their children taking part in a massive Kidderminster landmarks mural/collage to be displayed in school.

4.AOB

We discussed popular children's food choices for census day on the 18th of January 2018, as the number of children having hot dinners that day determines the level of funding that we receive.

Actions

A survey is going to be available as part of the Friends of Sutton Park Facebook page to research our children's favourite choices.

The bin at the bottom of the driveway is unfortunately often used to deposit dog mess by local residents which has caused problems in the past and it was also discussed that we are the only local school without railings by the road.

Actions

It was agreed that Miss Crawley would contact one of the local councillors to discuss this matter and invite them to join us at a parent forum meeting. We also discussed involving neighbours of the school to join with us in making a plea for both railings and an additional bin for dog mess further along Greatfield Road.