

KIRKBY & GREAT BROUGHTON CE VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

PARENTS FORUM

Monday 20th March 2017

Minutes

Present: Mrs Blanchard
Mrs Peacock
Mrs Thornton
Mrs Wilson

World Book Day

It is felt that some parents find it difficult to find/make a costume for their child to dress up as a book character. Also some children don't enjoy dressing up as a book character but don't want to feel different by not taking part. One suggestion is that children to choose either to dress up as book character or dress in pyjamas/onesies and bring favourite bedtime story to school.

Decorated Egg Competition

Comments have been made that this is too competitive and puts added pressure on parents. Also judging the competition is difficult because some of the entries have too much adult input. One suggestion was that the children decorated their eggs in school to ensure that all were the children's own work. Mrs Wilson said that, unfortunately, there wouldn't be time for this in curriculum time. Another solution would be to have a different format, to make it a decorated egg exhibition, rather than a competition, inviting children to contribute if they wish to produce a display on the last day of this term. There wouldn't be prizes so the competitive element would be removed.

Safety

Increasing concerns were discussed regarding cars in the school layby. Mrs Wilson said that she had reported the latest incident to the police and was seeking advice on a solution to this ongoing problem. One suggestion would be to close the layby off to cars at the end of the day. Another was to make it a drop-off only area in the morning. Mrs Wilson said she would consult with the school governors and the police and report back as soon as possible.

Dogs

There appears to be an increase in the number of dogs being brought to school. Even though they are on leads at the school gate and being

carried along the path in the mornings, this could still be a problem for some children. Mrs Wilson agreed to consult with staff and governors and report back as soon as possible.