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Autumn Term 1 - Parent Forum

Wednesday 11th September 2010

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Friday 6th September 2010 we held our first 'Parent Forum' of this academic year in the staff room at 08:45am.

The Prince of Wales School Parent Forum is a half-termly opportunity to meet Headteacher Mr. Spracklen and other members of the Senior Leadership Team. It provides an informal platform to share concerns, discuss ideas and ask questions. All members of our community are welcome.

See below for meeting notes and actions following our first meeting-

Notes and Actions -

GSp = Gary Spracklen (Headteacher) JTr - Jules Troughton - Senior Finance and HR Officer

GSP opened the meeting showing slides about the following:

- Positive Affirmations
- Data - this continues to be on the up
- Shared Success
- "We are just getting started"
- Update of new staff - the new structure
- New timetable
- Lunchtime - introduction of The Prince of Wales Restaurant
- Power Maths - This is now introduced and is also used at all local middle schools
- Knowledge Organiser - Gsp explained the thought behind this and how he thinks it should/could be used
- New Facilities update

Copy of the presentation will be made available on the school website.

Presentation can be viewed by [clicking this link.](#)

<p>Parent Question 1 -</p> <p>XXX asked about the area that used to be The Play Trail. She wondered what would go over by the slide as the children still like to play on it?</p>	<p>GSp said he will be discussing this with Pupil Voice to see what to do with the area under where the Play Trail used to be.</p> <p>The old PT was dangerous and had to be removed, and its location also posed an issue at break times. He assured XXX that the space will be used to the best advantage.</p>
<p>Parent Question 2 -</p> <p>XXX asked about Power Maths. Is the new work book like an old school text book?</p>	<p>GSp The book is not an old school style text book as it contains so much more than just a textbook, the book will stay at school.</p>
<p>Parent Question 3 -</p> <p>XXX asked about feedback. Will this now be given back to the children straight away?</p>	<p>GSp - Feedback will be a whole class sheet and actioned immediately. We will remain fluid about how we look at children as individuals rather than the group they are in. This way any problems can be addressed quicker. Live marking will also still be happening.</p> <p>Previously books were not being looked at every day now they will be.</p>
<p>Parent Question 4 -</p> <p>XXX asked if the children had mentioned that there isn't a morning break now.</p>	<p>GSp Said that they hadn't yet!</p> <p>They have, however, gained 10 minutes playtime at lunch time.</p> <p>Mr Treble will now be offering sports clubs at lunchtime and an after-school club. More lunchtime clubs will be added as the restaurant is embedded.</p>
<p>Parent Question 5 -</p> <p>XXX asked if we are still keeping the fun things?</p>	<p>GSp - Yes! We have lots planned, the first being Food/Farming fortnight. Then we have something in December which will be STEM week. He assured everyone that more costumes WILL follow!</p>

GSP shared some dates:

Year 4 Shakespeare this year is Romeo and Juliet
-Weymouth Pavilion November 6th 2019

Year 3 and 4 Michael Rosen - Weymouth Pavilion
November 11th 2019

Love Film will be sometime in the Autumn Term - Dates
to follow

Year 1 - Marwell Zoo September 24th 2019

There will be lots of "Dazzle Me" opportunities.

Looking forward we have The Olympics next year and
there will be a big focus on this.

We will also be supporting and following the Rugby
World Cup at the end of September.

Next meeting - Wednesday 6th November 2019

Future dates -

- PARENT FORUM - 2019/2020 DATES -

Autumn Term Two -Wednesday 6th November 2019

Spring Term One - Tuesday 7th January 2020

Spring Term Two -Thursday 27th February 2020

Summer Term One - Wednesday 22nd April 2020

Summer Term Two - Monday 1st June 2020

All sessions will run from 08:45am-10:00am in the staff room and training centre.

All members of our community are welcome.

Please feel free to catch me any time outside of these meetings. I am usually standing at the front of the school at the beginning and end of the school day. If you would like a more confidential chat, the school office holds my diary and can book an appointment for you.

Yours faithfully,



Mr. Gary Spracklen - Headteacher