

Minutes of Parent Council 31 January 2019, 2pm

Attendees:

Mrs Malone, Head teacher **CM**
Miss Durkin, Assistant head **JD**
Fiona Dennis – Secretary / Leopard, 3A
Sajita Nair – Lion
Alice Andreas – Tiger
Katherine Sutcliffe – 1A, 4B
Fiona Wade – 1B
Beth Silcox – 1C
Katherine Clark – 2A, 4C
Emma Shannon – 2B
Georgia Shawver – Vice Chair/ 2C, 5C
Emily Underhill – 3B
Anja de Caux, Chair/ 3C
Chloe Wickenden, 4A, 5B
Deborah Neale, 5A
Claire Shea, 6A, 6B

Apologies: Caroline Smith (2B), Sandra Nehrebecka (3A), Sue Thompson (6A/6B)

Visitors: None

Minutes of the last meeting:

Opal info is coming – parents will be invited to learn more information etc so still an agenda item

New yellow lines have been painted, Claire S is sitting in on group about road safety so can feedback information

Matters arising:

Matter	Detail	Action required
Request for volunteer for Open Evening	Open Evening is on Feb 14 from 6 till 7.45. There will be a table for the Parent Council in the dining hall	We will have time slots for parent council at opening evening - Fiona W and Georgia offered, anyone else please let Anja know. Mrs Potter has been informed

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<p>Term Topic – School lunches</p>	<p>Main theme – the kitchen is running out of food CM said the choices of food are fantastic and extensive and she has never witnessed that happen Length of lunch of is staggered so each year group gets an hour NOT 1hr 40mins Senior leadership team have a lunchtime rota so it's always manned in the hall A member of the lunch staff have eaten whilst serving food to the children and a member of staff was not wearing a hair net – CM is surprised by this There is no butter with Jacked Potatoes as we are a healthy school. Butter is typically not served at other schools either</p>	<p>CM to look out for this situation</p>
<p>Term Topic – School uniform</p>	<p>Could cardigans be allowed for the girls? School jumpers are expensive and there is a financial implication of non-logo items</p> <p>What's the procedure for lost property? JD explained the system, trugs are in the school, then named items return to the class, they are then transferred to outside, parent helpers come in and sort items and then they are then recycled after having them out in front of the school on tables at the end of term Check lockers for lost items</p> <p>What is the uniform for coats? CM reiterated that current school policy should be adhered to . The consistency of the implementation of this policy is something the school is addressing. If a child has been spoken to about the colour of their coat and a family is struggling financially then please encourage them to come in and speak to the school Please remind parents there are lots of second hand items in the school uniform shop</p> <p>Hair bobbles should be school colours and as discreet as possible</p> <p>The new netball kit purchased for the school team looks great and the girls in the team, love it!</p>	<p>CM – will look when the school uniform policy is up for re-newel and get back to us about cardigans, the colour of coats and other matters raised (blue socks, polo shirts, less formal option, PE kit)</p>

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<p>Term Topic – 1 mile run</p>	<p>Yes, yes, yes, to 1 mile run feedback from the parents who gave feedback</p> <p>Set Up - Takes place in the morning as soon as they come in Lots of helpers have volunteered The logistics need sorting e.g footwear, clothes Wake up, shake up is currently used, where children have a short burst of activity It is felt that all children should take part, not just selected pupils Timings needs to be looked at e.g. how you organise them, changing shoes etc There is a cross country club after school on a Thursday which unfortunately is not well attended JD says It's a great idea but the timetable is already stretched and staff are currently using lots of different strategies to support the children</p>	<p>CM to chat to PE leader, it might be able to be incorporated into PE</p> <p>Anja to look up online information on the topic</p>
<p>AOB</p>	<p>Pick up is very congested in the Year 2 and 4, pick up area The gate through Reception playground is dangerous as that is why it is closed</p> <p>Class dojo – CM could see the benefit of such a system but at this present time this will not be used at SPS</p> <p>Why are playtimes being used as punishment? JD explained there is a reflection zone, the children only end up there after several warnings, to get to the point of spending time in the reflection they will have gone through the behaviour systems in class.</p> <p>Playground upgrading – some areas need adjusting, CM has met with leaders to address these areas, Playground very muddy Georgia - Year 5 to address mound, need a long term solution for the muddy areas. Are there any areas that need seeding, matting so that the grass is able to grow</p> <p>Leaving messages regarding absence– you are only able to at certain times, you can also email</p> <p>Some activities – like walking the dog, cooking etc are not being used by all children, this seems unfair -The reason for this is that it is a provision for some children</p>	<p>Parent reps please tell Year 4 children to stand at the top mural playground</p> <p>CM to look at astro turfing, shrubs and steps CM to address – SPSA to fund?</p> <p>Sue Thompson will look at this</p>