



PARENT FORUM

22.3.17

Mrs Bonell's class	Miss Hayhurst's class	Miss Whear's class	Mrs Pollard/Mrs Ellis's class	Miss Stracey's class	Mrs Carthey's class
Rich Mulryne Tom Robinson	Gemma Rule Jo Cockings	Leanne Lester	Vanessa Glossop Juliet Mitchell	Gemma Rule Lorraine Brown	Vanessa Glossop Jo Cockings

CH thanked the parents for coming along.

Issues raised:

Consistency of teaching staff - there seems to be a lot of change lately ~ We have experienced a particularly harsh spell of staff illness, coupled with off site training. When possible, we cover the classes using cover staff who are familiar to the children. There are a number of TA's trained to higher level status, who we occasionally use to cover illness or training. Our aim has been to maintain continuity in the infant classes, using staff who are familiar to the children.

Year 6 teachers after May half term ~ we have put an advert on the county website, applications are due in on 28.3.17. Interviews will be held in the week beginning 24.4.17. Mrs Fishwick will return after half term, working Monday to Wednesday, the other teacher will be in for the second half of the week.

Communication regarding children's progress ~ We discussed that school reports will be sent home next week and that there would be opportunity to chat about any issues arising. Staff are always happy to have conversations with parents about the children's progress.

Parent Forum feedback ~ Minutes of the meetings are sent to attending parents to be agreed and then placed on the school website for parents to access.

Reading ~ Different classes are using different systems for reading. CH to discuss with class teachers to ensure that reading is noted in diaries and feedback to parents. Parents raised that there was a lack of reading comments in books. It is helpful if school and home are committed to hearing children read. School is teaching the skills of reading, home can support by rehearsing and practising these as regularly as possible. Staff have been keen to have regular reading sessions with parent helpers but the support has been inconsistent.

Cleaning ~ The cleaning company have altered their cleaning rota which had brought some improvement to the toilets. Following on going monitoring of the toilets we have decided that the problem is beyond the cleaning and, with Governor approval, will be beginning a cycle of refurbishment. In the meantime, we will be asking the cleaning company to provide a clean of the areas after lunch to better manage the situation.

Carpets are hoovered daily and carpets cleaned annually .

Gate opening ~ We'll aim to make sure that the gate is open consistently at 8.40

Interim Executive Head teacher appointment ~ Mr Ratcliffe, Head teacher from Porthleven, will be in school to meet our school community on Monday 27th March. The post of Executive Head involves being Head of two schools, spending time between them both. The Governors plan to have this in place from June until July 2018.

CH thanked the parents for coming along and sharing the views of parents.

Next meeting Wednesday 10th May at 2.30. (A reminder will go out at the start of the week before.)