

St Michael's C of E Primary School Parent Forum No 6 3rd February 2014

The Parent Forum is an opportunity for parents to meet once a term to discuss school-related issues. Regular, open communication and consultation with parents is really important to the school. The Parent Forum provides a valuable way to listen to your ideas and concerns and seek your views, helping to make sure the needs of children and their families are met.

MATTERS ARISING SINCE THE LAST PARENT FORUM

• The school came out of Special Measures

This followed 20 months of intense school improvement work including five Ofsted monitoring inspections. Only 3% of schools nationally move from special measures to the category of being a good school.

- The school held its first Carol walk and first Christmas Bazaar for several years
- The school converted to an Academy
- The school has established Discovery Maths days
- The school has established enrichment clubs

PUPIL PREMIUM



Pupil Premium money is being used to:

- Support H.M.S Heroes afterschool group/SupaSoccer
- Sustain a lunchtime K.I.T (keeping in touch group (for Service pupils)
- Run an after-school homework club
- One to one reading in the infants, small group writing and maths interventions and one-to-one or small group nurture support
- Additional lunchtime supervision
- Provide a point of contact for parents with any concerns (Mr Glover and Mrs Reynolds)
- Fun Fit

SPORTS PREMIUM

1. Key issue 1 – Management

- 1.1 Ensure launch of Sports Premium is high profile (special active day)
- 1.2 Establish a Sports Premium section on the website with detail of spend, impact and photos of provision
- 1.3 Set up a regular Sports Premium team meeting to monitor spend/impact
- 1.4 Ensure 2 hours of sport takes place each week across the school
- 1.5 Create a portfolio of learners in action and ensure images are visible around the school
- 1.6 Develop an annual active provision map e.g. swimming, cycling, sailing, skip workshops etc

2. Key issue 2 – Involvement of parents

- 2.1 Parents to email in photos of physical development e.g. riding a bike
- 2.2 Consult parents through coffee mornings and parent forum

3. Key issue 3 – Swimming

- 3.1 Investigate cost of hiring the pool for parents and children (annual event?)
- 3.2 Audit quality of swimming teaching at Helston pool

4. Key issue 4 – Teaching

- 4.1 Improve quality of teaching by purchasing and implementing a new high quality teaching programme
- 4.2 Investigate daily/regular Wake 'N' Shake
- 4.3 Purchase tablets/flip cameras to record P.E. in order to improve feedback/impact

5. Key issue 5 – Resources

- 5.1 Purchase tracksuits/kit bags for competitive events
- 5.2 Purchase essential sporting equipment

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS PARENT FORUM

Scooters are being ridden in the school grounds and it can be dangerous.	The home school agreements states that children should:
	"Dismount from their bike/scooter at the school gate and WALK in the school grounds. This also applies to leaving the school at the end of the day"
	We would be grateful if parents can ensure this happens please.
There should be more of a teacher presence at beginning and end of the day	This is difficult as staff are teaching. However, we will look at deploying key staff more often across the week. Mr Glover is often available by the school office at the start of the day if you have any general queries.
Chartwells menu does not always match up with what my child actually receives.	The Chartwells school meal contract expires at the end of this school year. The school will take into consideration parental feedback when negotiating the new contract. The menu may change if there is a problem with produce from suppliers.
We would like advance warning if spellings/times tables are not undertaken on Discovery Maths days	Discovery maths is new and we appreciate that these tests may not have happened in some classes. Staff will be mindful of this next time.
We would like more time for talk homework	This will be reviewed by staff. However, it is important that the talk homework is completed as close to the Big Write as possible.
We would like advice on how to complete/annotate the home reading record	Please contact the class teacher in the first instance. Parent literacy workshops are planned for later on in the year where this will be addressed.
My child receives less maths due to project homework which is more literacy focused.	This has been discussed with staff. Please contact the class teacher if you believe this to be the case.

MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED AT FORUM

- Experience of parent messaging systems
- Parent View
- HMS Heroes Service of Dedication
- School meals contract
- DEAR

NEXT PARENT FORUM IS 30TH April 2014

The next coffee afternoon is **Thursday 20**th

March at 2:45pm

Parent e-safety drop-in Mon 10th Feb @ 4:30pm

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