



Lister Infants Parent Council

Meeting Minutes

November 13, 2015

Present: Rebecca Clancy
Janine Edge
Stephen Moss
Alison Goudie
Ashlie Lamb
Carrie Ann Wood

Next meeting: Friday 12th February 2016, 2.pm

Apologies

Leah Barratt, Kathi Sturdy,

1. Welcome and Introductions

PC members introduced themselves by name and the class they represent.

1. Aim of Parent Council

The HT circulated the 'Parent Council Terms of Reference' to members. Aims, Membership and Meeting information was discussed. Key points noted were that the PC is not a channel for individual complaints and issues – any personal issues must be discussed outside of the meeting. The HT also pointed out that the PC was not a fundraising committee. It was explained that the PC was a forum through which governors of the school would consult parents on developments and changes within the school.

2. Election of Chair/ Vice Chair/ Secretary

R. Clancy was elected Chair. Ms Clancy will meet with J. Davies 7 days prior to any meeting to agree an agenda.

4.Home/ School Agreement

Document 'Lister Infant School Home – School Agreement' was given to PC members. PC members were already familiar with the contents and reviewed this again during meeting. The Ht

asked PC members to review contents of the agreement. PC members agreed the document set out clearly the expectations that the school placed on the child and family to ensure school and home work together to ensure the best outcomes for every child.

3. Policy for Parent & School Partnership

Document 'Parent and School Partnerships' was circulated. The HT explained that the policy set out clearly how parents would be encouraged to take part in school life. PC members were asked to consider the document and feedback any further ideas at the next meeting.

4. End of Year Results

The HT circulated a summary of results achieved by children at the end of Key Stage 1. The HT pointed out that the children achieve very well in comparison both to local and national data. It was explained that future reporting of results would be done in a different way. The PC were keen to learn more about this system. The DHT who is also Assessment Lead will speak to the PC on this matter at our next meeting.

5. School Development Plan

1. Document 'Summary of School Development Plan 2015-16' was given to all members. HT went through this in detail. Of note: During the last school year the new national curriculum had been introduced in year 1. This was now to be followed through into year 2. The HT explained that as there was a new curriculum - results for children would be reported in a different way. The HT explained that Lister Infant School is part of a Local Authority project working on the new system for assessment. The DHT is leading with other schools on this.
2. The HT explained that school results in all subjects at end of Key Stage 1 were consistently above national averages. The HT explained that school must constantly seek to improve and analysis of school results show that although boys achieve well they do not achieve as well as girls in writing and this was an area the school would be working on this year.
3. The school was working towards 2 awards the Nace accreditation in recognition of the work the school does to challenge more able and talented children and the Science Quality Mark.
4. The school had decided to refresh it's behaviour scheme. The school was going to introduce the Good to be Green Behaviour Scheme to Key Stage 1 pupils. The school had chosen this scheme as it was aimed at constantly rewarding good behaviour and it was really visual which would encourage all children to self monitor.

7. Curriculum Overview

Document 'Curriculum Topics, Enhancements and Enrichment 2015-2016' was given to all members for review and will be discussed in more detail at the next meeting. HT highlighted that Topics allow pupils to fully immerse themselves in their subjects. Topics can be flexible at Foundation Stage, with teacher's changing these to suit..

8. Christmas Shows – photography

The HT explained the school safeguarding policy did not allow parents to take photographs or videos at school performance. The PC confirmed that they felt this was appropriate and fully understood the reasons.

9 AOB

The HT informed the PC that she was aware that parents had been given short notice of a workshop held recently at the school and that another letter had gone out to parents at late notice.

The HT explained that there had been an internal communication mix up and that she would ensure this did not happen in future. PC members asked the HT if there was a possibility of putting a notice board in the school grounds. The HT confirmed that she thinks this would help communication and would look into the costing of this.

Date and time of next meeting

Friday 12th February at 2.pm