

Present: Miss Grant, Mrs Hatcher, Mrs Doran, Mrs Walker, Mrs Goodgame, Mrs Wright.

Apologies: Mrs Hampson, Mrs Webb, Mrs Batts, Mrs Hornsby, Mrs Birch, Mrs Forrester.

Update on matters arising from last meeting:

1. Alternative methods of payment -

Further to enquiries about alternative methods of payment to the school for school dinners, trips etc.: *Unfortunately this is not possible at this time. Some parents commented that paying for dinners by cheque at the start of the term has proved much more convenient.*

New Matters arising:

1. Clubs Clash and Cancellations -

Parents felt that it was a shame that there was a clash with the Eco Club and Science Club for KS2 both being on Thursdays in Term 6. Some parents also said that they felt it was inconvenient that Sports Club was regularly cancelled.

All of our clubs are run on a voluntary basis out of goodwill from staff members and parent volunteers. It is important to note that these are not intended to be used as childcare and may need to be cancelled at short notice due to other statutory commitments of staff members or inclement weather on the day. We are also limited in terms of the afternoons when clubs can be provided, so occasional clashes are inevitable.

2. PE in Class 2 -

Some parents were concerned that PE had not been happening on particular days. *Please do check with the teacher in the first instance as children can sometimes forget what has happened in the day at school. PE did take place last Tuesday as timetabled.*

3. Residential and Other Trips -

Some parents wanted to say that they still felt that the cost of the residential trip was too high for Years 5 and 6. Also, parents wondered whether there would be a trip to London for Years 5 and 6 this year. *Based on parents' views about the costs associated with the residential trip, we have decided not to involve Year 5 in this year's London trip. We will have a Class 4 trip, but we will aim to make the costs lower for this. We are keen to have the London trip for Year 6 pupils and more details will follow once this is confirmed.*

4. Headship Update -

Parents asked what was happening in terms of appointing a new headteacher; however, parents also said that they felt that parents were secure in Miss Grant's leadership (thank you!) and that parents were reassured that the Governors were committed to appointing the 'right' person for this school. *Headteacher interviews are planned for the week before half term and the Governors would like to conduct a presentation to parents to alleviate any concerns and to give parents the opportunity to ask questions directly to the Governors. More details will follow about this.*

5. Choice of Clubs -

Parents felt that there was an excellent variety and choice of clubs this term. *Miss Grant thanked parents for their comments and would like to express thanks for all of those people who have volunteered to run clubs this term.*

6. Wow Day -

Parents felt that this was a fantastic experience and really inspired the children, who came home ‘buzzing’ with excitement about their day! They would like to pass on thanks to all of those who were involved in the organisation of the day. *Miss Grant thanked parents for their comments and will pass on their ‘thank you’s – these are always appreciated!*

Meeting closed at 9.30am. Next meeting will be held on Friday 6th June at 9.00am.