BRIZE NORTON PRIMARY SCHOOL - PARENT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parent Council Meeting held on Friday 26th April 2013

Present: Mark Smith, Kellie Hatcher, Victoria Doran, Sarah Batts, Olivia and Jackie Hampson.

Apologies: Jo Webb, Angela Forrester, Claire Wright, Sarah Birch, Olivia Goodgame.

Update on matters arising from last meeting:

New Matters arising:

1. Parents Evening

A couple of parents had asked if Class 1 work could be available for parents to see at parent evening. Mr Smith explained that the children in Foundation Stage do not really have exercise books like other children across the school. Mr Winter refers to the profiles (assessment folders used to gather evidence against the EYFS goals) during each meeting. Mr Smith will discuss this further with the Class1 team though.

2. Class 1 topic

Parents reported that the children have been very excited by the range of learning opportunities in Class 1. They have loved watching the chicks hatch and the tadpoles are causing lots of excitement. *Mr Smith thanked the parents for the positive feedback and said that the class was certainly a very exciting place to be.*

3. Celebration Assemblies

A few parents had wondered whether a slip could be sent home or a note written in reading records explaining to parents why their child had received a headteacher or teacher sticker. Often when asked, the children do not seem to know or cannot remember.

Mr Smith said that he had already considered this as he knows that children often cannot explain to parents the reason they have had a sticker, particularly the younger children. This would be discussed with teachers and considered for next term.

4. Ofsted Celebration

The Ofsted celebration event was very successful. Many families had said how lovely it was to get together informally. The children loved the bouncy castle and certainly the snakes etc.

Mr Smith agreed that it was a lovely evening, enjoyed by families and staff.

Scooter Club

Some children and parents in Key Stage 2 were disappointed that the scooter club had been limited to Class 1 and 2 only.

Mr Smith explained that clubs are run at the goodwill of staff and because the children had asked for the club, he had decided to run it. The uptake has been great and unfortunately some children will be disappointed. The school had tried to balance the number of clubs for each age range this term and children in KS2 had more clubs than the younger children.

Mr Smith was asked if he could do one age group this half term and the older children next half term.

Mr Smith explained that due to other school commitments he was not available to run clubs before half term.

Meeting closed at 9.35am. Next meeting: Friday 24th May 9am.