

Present: Mark Smith, Victoria Doran, Sarah Batts, Sarah Birch, Kellie Hatcher, Jackie Hampson

Apologies: Olivia Goodgame, Jo Webb, Sarah Webster, Sara Coles, Chris Jones

**Update on matters arising from last meeting:**

Nothing

**New Matters arising:**

1. Playground Safety

*Several parents have commented on the number of children riding scooters and bikes across the playground at speed first thing in the morning. This is very dangerous when so many families are entering school, especially for those with younger children. Mr. Smith explained the school had always had the rule that children should dismount from their scooters and bikes when entering the school grounds and push them.. Mr. Smith will remind the children in assembly and put a reminder in the next newsletter.*

2. Fruit

*One or two children seem to be going home with their morning snack saying that they did not have time to eat it. Mr. Smith explained that the whole school has a set snack and story time each day but had noticed that the new writing initiative had put pressure on teaching time up until break. He said he would speak to the staff to ensure that snack is eaten and that each class has this daily quality story time.*

3. Mobile Library

*Some children are not returning their books to the mobile library or the books they get are not making it home. Mr. Smith explained that each class has a given time and that children are asked to get their books from their drawers or bags. When they get back from the library they are given time to put new books in their bags. Mr. Smith said that if parents were worried they should mention to the classteacher who would make sure they keep an eye on those children who need greater help with this.*

4. Dogs

*Several parents had raised a concern about dogs being tied up at the school gates. Although most dogs are very friendly, the parents were concerned that children automatically like to go and make a fuss of dogs even when they do not always know who the dog belongs to and what their temperament is like. Mr. Smith said he would put a reminder in the newsletter asking parents to tie their dogs up away from the gates so that children and parents can exit the school grounds more easily and safely.*

Next meeting: Friday 24th February 9am