

Notes from Parent Forum Thursday 23rd February 2017

Attendance: Head Teacher, Vice Chair of Governors and 4 parents

- Ms Margetts recapped on the previous Parent Forum meeting about general communication. She outlined improvements parents had noted.
- Ms Margetts also outlined changes that had been made since the last meeting in response to suggestions raised by parents. It was noted that Schoolcomms seemed to be improving communications but parents asked that separate emails be send for each topic as it is easier to file.
- Discussion then moved on to communication about academic progress. One
 of the actions from the Ofsted report in July was 'Ensuring all parents knew
 how their children are progressing academically at school'. Ms Margetts
 outlined the current ways parents are informed about children's progress.
 Then Ms Margetts asked about what other information parents would like to
 see.
- A discussion took place around a more comprehensive Reception Pack when children first start school to ensure parents have all the information in place. The possibility of a short termly report was also discussed as parents felt the summer report was too lengthy and curriculum letters now covered a lot of the information.
- A discussion took place about information parents would like in the report. It
 was agreed progress and effort, whether the child was at expected level
 and if necessary how parents can help support, be included in the end of
 year report. A discussion also took place about digital reports, but some
 parents said they would still like a hard copy.
- Suggested focus for next meeting: A curriculum focus such as spelling.