

Parent Voice - Thursday 21st October 2021

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Introductions	Mr T Jones (Headteacher) Mrs L Golightly Mr G Houghton
Terms of reference	Previously shared, agreed
Apologies	Chair of Governors
Communication	What works well? The school does have several ways to contact parents at the moment through text, email and website Agreed that different ways of communicating will suit different people School APP is generally seen as positive Move to less paper letters and more electronic positive move forward Areas to develop? Agreed that the current website was not as user friendly as some other schools TJ shared that school was looking at this at present and trying to find a way forward either with another provider or updating the current one Mixed views of the school APP; whilst it was generally positive it did have some difficulties and messages could be overlooked etc. Both parents and TJ felt that there needed to be some more insight into the school / classroom especially in this current age of social media There are inconsistencies with use of things such as Class Dojo which a number of parents have raised – TJ aware of this and is to be discussed at the training day coming up and a more consistent, whole school approach brought in Some concerns raised with use of Class Dojo as there is an element where parents can buy extras to change/ improve avatars; something that school is not keen to promote so will consider this TJ raised that school currently buys texts in bundles so whilst this is a good way to communicate with parents at the moment this might not be the most cost effective for school. Something that school will have to consider. School are keen to engage with parents and try and use the website more as a
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Outcomes	School is to consider the use of texts / emails more and ensure that this can be done in as cost effective way as possible School is reviewing the current website to make it easier to use and more appropriate for a communication tool School is reviewing how we share what happens with parents/carers in the classroom and will ensure this is consistent across the school so there isn't any imparity between year groups
Next meeting	Date to be shared however agreed that alternating after school / during school would be a good way to try and engage more parents / carers