



Parental Information and Update

Communication: Parents' Evenings, End of Year Reports and Learning Profiles

March 2024

Dear Parent/ Carer

During this session we have collaborated with our Parent Council in evaluating and improving the ways in which we share information about your child's learning with you. We want this to be through the most effective and impactful ways possible, using our shared time in the best ways that we can.

There are a wide range of ways in which we share information about your child's learning, including through:

- General emails, phone-calls and communication
- Parents' Evenings
- Jotters/ work home
- Awesome Achievers Booklets
- Assemblies, events and gatherings
- Parent meetings, our Friday morning leadership team drop-ins, parent workshops and information sessions
- School website, digital guides and paper-based documentation
- X (formerly Twitter) school feeds
- School and Nursery Newsletters
- End of year reports
- Additional ways as outlined in our Parental Engagement and Involvement Calendar

Beginning in the summer term of 2023, we have spoken at Parent Council Meetings about our end of year reports and about how informative and helpful our parent forum find these. A great deal of time goes into writing these and we want to make sure that they are as useful as they can be to you. We have also discussed other ways in which we share information with our families about their children, for example through Parents' Evenings.

During November/ December 2023, the Parent Council then shared a survey with all of our families in order to ask in more detail about the format of our end of year reports, about how you find them, and about the possibility of trialling a third set of Parents' Evenings this session in May 2024.

Having evaluated the responses to our survey, we have found a mixed response. Our families reported valuing an end of year report, though many explained that this could be in a shortened format and focus most around the child's attitude, character and approach to



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learning and life at school. Additionally, many of our families reported that they would value a third set of Parents' Evenings.

Therefore, for this school session we will put in place the following changes:

- An amended end of year school report will be provided during June 2024
- A third set of Parents' Evenings will be trialled on Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd May 2024

In addition, we have been developing the ways in which our children celebrate, write about and evaluate their own learning – our children's 'Learning Profiles'. For many years, these have been paper-based. However, during this session we have been trialling a new digital format for these called SeeSaw. Our nursery families will be very familiar with this as they have been using this digital platform throughout the school year. However, we are very pleased to share that we have also begun using these with Primary 1 to 7. In time, we hope that all of our families will enjoy using this digital platform as a means of sharing in their child's learning. More information about SeeSaw will shortly be shared with you.

We hope this information and these changes will further enhance the ways in which we work together in developing the best outcomes for our children.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Lawson'.

Rob Lawson

Head Teacher