



Dear Parents and Carers,

Parent Council

The Parent Council meeting on Thursday 21 October, 7pm. It was lovely to welcome new members and hope to see the numbers continue to increase over the coming months. The minutes from the meeting are in the Parent Council section of our school website for your information.

The main points from the Head Teacher's report were:

- An overview of the school budget and where the largest areas of spend will be this year for the school – ICT equipment and Outdoor Learning
- Issues regarding lunches have been passed to Soft FM personnel who are responsible for catering. We will also be able to welcome the new Head of School Lunches to our next Parent Council Meeting to respond to our concerns.
- Internet Safety Training. Family Learning Session earlier this year and staff training on ThinkUKnow resources. Links to these resources will be made available on our website shortly, in order to support all families with internet safety, managing parental controls and what to do if you have concerns.

Date of next meeting: 25th November 2021 at 7pm

If you would be interested in attending, please contact the school office who will email you a Teams meeting link.

Meet the Teacher

Letters will be sent out next week to all classes, outlining our plans for the online Meet the Teacher events. There will be a tear-off slip for you to add your preferred email address. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on these calls! If you have any issues, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

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Outdoor Learning Plans

The company who will be undertaking the revamp of our front garden have been in touch and hope to begin the work over the Christmas holidays. We will keep you updated with progress, as information and resources become available.

School Values and Capacities

Today, we celebrated our value of being WELCOMING and the capacity of becoming an EFFECTIVE CONTRIBUTOR during our assembly. The way in which our pupils contribute to: lessons; the positive ethos of the school; and the experiences of others, never ceases to amaze me. I would like to thank our families for their continued support of our pupils as it is evident in the way in which they conduct themselves on a daily basis.

Hallowe'en Pumpkin Orienteering

I would like to thank all our families and the Parent Council for helping to make our orienteering event such a success! The children had a wonderful time, and it was clear to see that fun was had by all! We hope you enjoyed seeing some of the pictures on Twitter! The money raised on ParentPay from your kind donations will be split between the school fund and the When You Wish Upon A Star charity.

Parking

It seems that parking at the school continues to be a problem, especially at the corner across from the Infant Gates. Could I ask that no parents/carers park in the designated bus bay and that the corner is kept free of vehicles? Please use the car park across from the school or consider, wherever possible to park and stride.

I continue to link with our Community Council on these issues and we know that the support of the whole community is vital to improving this situation.

Water Bottles

A little reminder that children should only bring water in their water bottles please. If you wish your child to have juice, this should only go in their packed lunch.

Yours faithfully,

Fiona MacKenzie
Head Teacher