

William Austin Junior School

Title of Meeting: Family Forum -

Date of Meeting: 29.4.22



Minutes taken by:	Jackie Slater
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Apologies: n/a	
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Present:
Mrs Adams, Head Teacher
Mrs Parkar, Deputy Head
Ms Slater, FW Team Leader
Mrs Akhtar, FWs
3 families represented

		Action / Answer
	Meeting opened at 9:00am	
1.	<p><u>Parents concerns regarding inclusion of all children</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents are grateful free holiday activities are run for their children by Family Workers and also external charities. However, it was felt not all children are included due to their medical conditions which on this particular occasion excluded a child from attending an externally run holiday club. Parents had a concern with regards to behaviour and how it is dealt with. A parent gave an example as to how her daughter was spoken to when she expressed how another child had made her feel to a member of staff. Parents felt transition into Y3 needed to be a bit more informative in particular relating to school uniform and equipment needed. Parents expressed concerns regarding dietary limitations for children who are vegans. Teachers are very kind buying Easter mini eggs for children. One parent said that her child was not given an option to have something else. Parents have suggested teachers to offer fruit or not celebrate such events with the children. School dinner menu options to include more choice for vegans <p>Overall parents are very happy with the conduct of school, their children are happy to come. Parents also accepted they needed to take responsibility to attend these meetings to have their voice heard.</p>	<p>Mrs Adams – Head Teacher replied:</p> <p>Charities will have basic first aid provision, but may not have staff who are trained for more complicated medical needs. We will raise this issue with external providers.</p> <p>Staff are trained to listen to pupils’ concerns and take action to support them. Senior leaders will go over expectations with staff to ensure they sort out concerns, or pass on to a senior leader if necessary.</p> <p>A video was made to support transition due to the pandemic and no physical transition visits being allowed. Following on from this discussion the office staff will make the letters that support transition clearer in terms of the type of bag the pupils can have.</p> <p>School will offer a vegan option at Christmas in the school bought selection packs. Teachers will be made aware of any specific needs for the pupils in their class.</p> <p>The school meals company provides a daily vegetarian option, but not a vegan one.</p> <p>Parents were thanked by all members of staff for attending. They were encouraged to inform other parents about the Family Forum.</p>

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		Parents are always welcome should they have any concerns to speak to a member of the SMT or Family Workers, or any member of school staff.

Meeting closed at: 10:15am