

Parents' Council Meeting - Term 3

Attendees:

Kristina Dyer (Headteacher), Kathryn Rogers, Esther Tanner, Brianne Hamilton, Anna Cornfoot

Apologies from: Rowan, Leanne, Alix

Behaviour for Learning Policy

- Mrs Dyer circulated a draft copy of the Behaviour for Learning Policy
- Due to the teachers strong desire to start the new policy and the parents' suggestions raised for the last Parents' Council meeting, the governing body last week proposed implementing a trial of the policy in Term 4 instead of waiting until after the Easter break. This will allow for feedback while the policy is finalised.
- Potential amendment to the current draft is to have the John Wesley as the ethos of the school, instead of as the rules, and have the christian values as the rules of the school instead.
- Year 6 have been trialling the new behaviour for learning policy and will be providing feedback next week. An improvement on behaviour has been observed thus far in the class.
- The new policy separates sanctions and merits, so neither sanctions or merits are not taken away during the day
- Teachers will get to choose a social or learning behaviour focus each day to encourage for the 'happy side'
- 4 ticks on the 'happy side' gets head teacher recognition
- Teachers will no longer call over parents on the play ground to discuss behaviour. The policy deals with the behaviour at the time it occurs and parents are either phoned or email as required.
- A draft of the new policy will be sent to parents soon. It was proposed to arrange a parent talk in the hall just before pick up one day once the new policy begins being trialled.

Parent Raised Items

- Year 1 have questions regarding upcoming phonics assessment - *KD to look into and address their questions*
 - Will there be a workshop?
 - Are all children required to attend?
- Older children are missing playing with the younger children in play time (seeing siblings and buddies)
 - Lunchtime is now split half the time sitting and eating indoors and half the time as play time, separating the older and younger children. Behaviour has improved and there have been fewer incidents with the new system, so it was proposed to look for alternate cross course opportunities

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- A suggestion was to introduce a buddy play time session once a week in the afternoon - *KD to action*
- Parents have been asking about PGL
 - Letter coming soon
 - It will be at Kingswood Summer 2021
- Concern about the number of teachers for Year 5
 - This cannot be avoided with the part time schedules of existing teachers