

Parent Forum meeting agenda  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2025

1. Welcome and apologies	Present: Mrs Rackham (BJS DH), Mrs Fletcher, (BIS DH), JF (Chair of governors), CJ (Otter and Jaguar Class rep), MP (Kiwi Class rep), NW (Albatross Class rep), CK and DJ (Kingfisher Class reps), AK (Koala and Narwhal Class rep), SI (Pangolin Class rep), KB (Penguin Class rep), AO (Hippo Class rep), NC (Rhino Class rep), VS (Ocelot Class rep) Apologies: NF (Panda Class rep)
2. Questions/queries raised:	
Rhino class: No queries were raised before the meeting.	
Hippo class: No queries were raised before the meeting.	
Kiwi class: No queries were raised before the meeting.	
Koala class: No queries were raised before the meeting.	
Otter class: No queries were raised before the meeting.	
Kingfisher class: 1. Can you pass on that Mrs Hewitt has been such a positive influence. She is energetic, fair and caring. Really appreciate all she has done for the class so far this year. It's clear how well she has set them up for Junior school. 2. Since being taught by Mrs Hewitt, Brody has grown in confidence and become more engaged with learning. She is a fantastic teacher and we love the amount of effort she puts in. Always makes time to listen & support however she can - Thank You!!! 😊 3. Mrs Hewitt has the ability to see each child's individual needs and assess how to help them with this. She has a really positive impact in the classroom and has inspired my child to want to learn more! It's so great to have a teacher as fruitful as her 😊 4. Can you please put that Mrs H has been so supportive to my child and me in helping us work on his maths. Taking time out to help guide me on how best to teach him	Mrs Hewitt will be very grateful for this positive feedback.
Albatross class: No queries were raised before the meeting.	
Penguin class: 1. Are there any plans for a summer holiday club this year from an external provider? Would be lovely to have something local where children will have friends.	1. We had an external provider come in last Easter. They need a minimum of 16 children and they only got 7. They then cancelled the summer holiday club because they had a similar number of children signed up again. It has to be financially

<p>2. My child is very settled with Mrs Eden-Fry. He was unsettled with Miss Roberts leaving but he has warmed to Mrs EF which is reassuring.</p> <p>3. Mrs Eden-Fry is lovely and very approachable. It helps us feel reassured as parents that she knows where we are coming from as she is also a parent.</p> <p>4. The children are loving the new class reward system - it is really motivating them.</p> <p>5. My child is doing really well since Mrs Eden-Fry has started and is more eager to learn and complete work than he has ever been!</p>	<p>viable. If we are approached by a company we will consider it but no one has approached us as yet. It would be lovely to have one because the children would have friends there.</p> <p>2 – 5. It's great to hear such positive feedback about Mrs Eden-Fry, thank you.</p>
<p>Narwhal class: No queries were raised before the meeting.</p>	
<p>Turtle class:</p> <p>1. TRIPS Can I just ask when the last time ours went 'out' on a school trip? Seems like all they do is pay to get people in but yet other year groups go out on trips to places? Seems ages ago to me. I remember year 1 to the zoo as I went but don't recall anything after that.</p> <p>2. TOILETS The toilet facilities are gross 😞 my child doesn't even go when there cos they're so bad. Ditto the toilets, my child has mentioned it but as a volunteer I can vouch they are not pleasant, one door doesn't lock and they are not checked/cleaned throughout the day as far as I can tell.</p> <p>3. CLUBS We were upset to see no girls football on offer, told due to not much uptake previously and the school pay for it but there was lots of girls last term. Personally don't think mixed with boys of all year groups is a great idea and has put us off booking onto it. Not a lot of clubs on offer for year 4 this time.</p> <p>4. OPEN CLASS Any chance they could mix up the day they do 'open class' once in a while. For those us that work a weds, it's just not possible to attend sadly. I really like being able to go and see my child's work, what a lovely opportunity.</p> <p>5. OTHER To fix the gate!!! Doesn't take this long to sort a new lock or get a key cut</p> <p>6. Random one and only relevant once or twice a year, but can they do break the rules day on a non-swimming day? It's always a Friday, which I know works well for a normal mufti day, but it means the kids can't really do any funky hair or make up as they will be ruined by swimming. That's 4 classes out of 8 each time it's held on a swimming day.</p>	<p>1. Some topics lend themselves to trips more than others. The topics in Year 4 seem to lend themselves more to having visitors in school. The experiences booked support the curriculum. The Year 4 team are looking at a trip for the summer term. We are sure that they will have been out on a trip in Year 2 and/or 3 though. There was also the residential in Year 3.</p> <p>2. We agree the toilets aren't very nice. We do what we can with regular cleaning and air freshener. The toilets in Year 4 are on the list for the Local Authority to replace, however this does take a long time. They recently replaced the Year 6 toilets and they cost over £60000 so it's not something we can afford to do as a school. As a maintained school we don't get money to cover the maintenance of the building because the buildings are owned by the LA. The smell comes from the urinal which the LA won't change because they would have to dig up the ground. Sometimes a letter from a parent to the LA helps! There are other toilets the children can use if they're choosing not to go to the toilet whilst they're at school.</p> <p>3. This term we are running an invite only football club for boys and for girls and we decided to try a mixed football club because of the availability of staff to run each of the groups. If feedback is that the girls haven't liked the mix club, we will run separate clubs for boys and girls in the autumn term. There won't be a football club in the summer term anyway. Year 4 were offered a lot of clubs in the autumn term (6) and less this term (3) but more clubs were offered out to other year groups later. We will have a look at the offer for Year 4 for the summer term.</p> <p>4. For the same reasons discussed in previous meetings, the day for open classrooms cannot be changed. If you cannot make that day, we sure the</p>

<p>7. My child would like more skipping ropes with handles 😞 the sensory snug is dirty and uncared for.</p> <p>8. Please can the pathway be widened by the year 4 classrooms. It gets so muddy and slippery and there isn't enough space for parents to wait at pick up time.</p> <p>9. Welcome to Mrs Smith, she seems nice and friendly and the children seem to like her.</p>	<p>teachers would not mind if you asked to come in at another time.</p> <p>5. The gate now has a new padlock on it.</p> <p>6. This will be passed on to the PTA as they organised break the rules days. It was done because if they dye their hair, paint their nails or put tattoos on, it's the weekend the next day.</p> <p>7. We had hundreds of skipping ropes with handles and they have all been broken because of how the children use them, for example to pull their friends along on a scooter. They do love them though so we will order more in the new financial year. There are a few with handles left. The sensory snug is sorted regularly by a member of staff in their own time but unfortunately, the children do not respect the area despite us discussing it regularly in our play assemblies.</p> <p>8. It is bad at this time of year, we agree. Unfortunately, it would cost around £30000 to do this which we cannot afford. Hopefully with the weather improving, it will get better. Also, now the gate is in use again, that should help.</p> <p>9. Again, it's good to hear positive feedback about our newest staff members, thank you.</p>
<p>Pangolin class:</p> <p>1. Pangolin class have mentioned they are really happy with their teacher and support staff in Pangolin they are really nice and always available if you need to speak to them and are always helpful and kind which is really appreciated Thank you</p> <p>2. Can the school dinners system can be looked at again her children are unhappy they don't get to go into lunch with their friends who have different colours to them and are ending up sometimes not eating as they want to play with friends or not go in without them.</p>	<p>2. We have tried this lots of different ways but the current system is the most time effective. The children are served in colours but they don't have to sit with children having the same lunch as them, they can sit anywhere.</p>
<p>Panda class:</p> <p>1. I would like to say a great big thank you to all the teachers who went along and took such good care of our children at Young voices! They had an amazing time</p> <p>2. Sometimes us parents are given slightly different information via our children. If any information could be given to the class rep who can then relay it back to us that would maybe be easier? Can't think of any examples but we are sometimes having to message backwards and forwards in our parent groups because the information our children have given is not all the same.</p> <p>3. A big thank you to Mrs Kitchen for her work with my daughter who is a peer mentor. She really</p>	<p>2. Can you give any examples? Children coming home and saying things like 'we need to bring something in on Friday' but no messages coming home about this. We will make sure the teachers are aware of this. Year 6 SATs revision was another example.</p>

<p>enjoys this role and feels well supported. The training that the children received was excellent.</p>	
<p>Ocelot class:</p> <p>1. Breakfast club The children are not allowed to do any drawing at all. Even if they bring in their own equipment they are only allowed to sit and watch Netflix. Why is this? The amount of food they are allowed has also decreased. My children are eating before the attend because they are leaving hungry at the end of the session.</p> <p>2. Thank you to Miss Hawes for being such a kind and supportive teacher. A few parents have brought up how happy and engaged their child is in school since year 6. She has a wonderful way with the students and we are so grateful to her.</p> <p>3. Silverstone trip. It seemed unfair that only half of each class got to visit. The parents wouldn't have minded chipping in for the trip so that everyone got to go.</p> <p>4. Lunches. It is becoming really hard to get the kids to eat. Not only are hot lunches going in separately but they now eat according to their colour. One particular child bins their food without eating every day as they would rather get out quick to be with their friends. This means they are missing a meal. Is there anything that can be done to help?</p> <p>5. Away football matches:- Could you put forward the idea of parents paying for a mini bus for the away football games please. Even if it's just to get them there and then we collect? I know it's not only me that struggles with this. Thanks.</p>	<p>1. We will pass this on to the wraparound care team. SLT would know if the children were only allowed to watch Netflix because we do walk through the hall regularly. It's a short amount of time to get all of the children in and fed. Feedback forms have just been sent out about breakfast and after school club so please use these. For breakfast the children can have cereal, toast, fruit and yoghurt which should be enough but please speak to the staff if you think your child isn't eating enough.</p> <p>3. This was the Williams trip. It's never open to the public and they only allow 30 children in at a time. We were lucky to be selected for the trip. The 30 children who went were selected completely randomly. We are hopeful there will be the opportunity for the other children in Year 6 to go in June. As a school we work hard to make sure all children have the same opportunities. A parent suggested parents were told this information before because had it been communicated, it would have resolved the issue.</p> <p>4. As above. We do have staff members in the hall to ensure children aren't throwing their lunches away. If names of children are given to us, we can make sure they're checked in with each lunchtime.</p> <p>5. We did book minibuses previously but they were really unreliable. They either didn't turn up or the taxi company would send a car. The problem is the time of day, all companies are doing school pick-ups so there just isn't the availability. Do you think parents would be happy to be added to a football team WhatsApp group to help with arranging lift shares? We would have to send a form out to ask individual parents for their permission first. Parents thought this may be a good idea. The school also said if anyone can come up with other ideas, they are happy to listen.</p>
<p>Jaguar class: No queries were raised before the meeting.</p>	
<p>Other points parent reps brought up at the meeting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The government are bringing in free breakfast clubs, is Broughton doing this? It's being trialled at the moment, we will await the outcome of this.</li> <li>- Afterschool club. Would they consider doing half sessions so parents don't have to pay full price? School will look into this.</li> <li>- Should teachers be asking for a codeword when a child is picked up by someone other than mum or dad? Codewords are only used when we don't know an adult that's collecting a child. If you call</li> </ul>

	<p>the office and ask for someone we have never met before to pick up your child, you can give us a codeword to ask for. If the child can tell us clearly who that person is, we won't need to use the codeword.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Have payments for trips been improved? School haven't been close to cancelling any events which is good.</li> <li>- When Reception go to the zoo can they use their annual memberships and just pay for the coach? School will look into this.</li> </ul>
<p>3. Information/updates/queries from the schools</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- We have asked parents/carers not to let their children play on the equipment or with resources before and after school but it is still happening.</li> <li>- A letter about parents' evenings is coming out very soon. Please remind parents to book an appointment.</li> <li>- Admissions criteria for infant/junior schools in Bucks has changed for those schools who applied. Feeder infant/junior schools is now on the list which is great news for parents.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Parents suggested the school gives a time for the site to be cleared e.g. 3:20pm. Year 2 boys playing football before school which can be dangerous. Another suggestion was a poster competition for rules for before and after school. Suggestion to send a letter out from governors.</li> </ul>
<p>4. Date, time and location of the next meeting.</p>	<p>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 2:15pm in the Infant School hall.</p>