

## Parent Forum Minutes: 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Member of staff in attendance: Mr Monti (Associate Principal)

Mrs Spruth (Business Support Manager)

Year groups represented:

| <b>Year group</b> | <b>Number</b> | <b>Year group</b> | <b>Number</b> |
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| Reception         | 0             | 5                 | 0             |
| 1                 | 0             | 6                 | 0             |
| 2                 | 1             | 7                 | 2             |
| 3                 | 0             | 8                 | 1             |
| 4                 | 2             |                   |               |

| <b>Item</b> | <b>Discussion</b>  | <b>Action</b>  |
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| 1           | Request for Academy to send reminder out about Parent Forums.  | Mr Monti agreed can be done.   |
| 2           | Gate access – Parents who use Multi Active/The Den in the mornings will need access to the gates outside of the opening times in the letter sent out to Parents.                             | The letter stated that the gates will be opened at normal times for multi active. The gates are open from 7.30am. Apologies were offered for any confusion caused from first couple of days. |
| 3           | Over-running assemblies – this is still a problem, now concerns with gates closing automatically that pupils will be forced to exit via Mead End or pupils/parents will be locked in.        | Emphasis on teachers to finish assemblies on time. Pupils/parents won't be locked in! There will still be duty staff on the gates.   |
| 4           | Pupils not enjoying all of the lunch menu options.   | Academy to ask School Council for feedback on lunch menu; this will then be reviewed.  |
| 5           | Is the Australia playground being used?  | The playground is not currently being used at break or lunch time; the Year 3 & 4 pupils have now joined Year 5 & 6 pupils in the main playground, as planned.                               |
| 6           | Are book covers required? Plastic is bad for the environment. Has the Academy considered other options?  | Potential project for the School Council to look at how we could 'be greener'. Look at other items as well - eg plastic cups, water bottles.   |
| 7           | What stationery/equipment is required for which year group? Clarity needed for parents please.   | Parentmail to follow.  |
| 8           | PE kit requirement – what kit is required for each term? Parents and pupils are unsure. Can this information please be sent out? Football boots specifically mentioned at last parent forum. | Parentmail to follow from Mr Obuch to clarify requirements and when needed.  |

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| 9  | Request for yearly reminders to be sent to parents about the cashless catering system. What they can see on Parentmail, how to access it, how to set limits for pupils to spend etc.   | Parentmail to follow.   |
| 10 | Request for yearly reminders for parents; examples – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stationary equipment required</li> <li>• PE equipment required and when</li> <li>• Cashless catering system information</li> </ul>   | Academy to look into potentially putting information on website.  |
| 11 | Uniform Policy – can we please clarify which colour skinz are acceptable and add to policy.  | Blue and black skinz allowed. This will be added to the policy. These are for wearing under PE kit only and should not been 'visible' at other times. |
| 12 | Condover hall – Positive feedback given on the Condover Hall trip.<br>Mixed feedback given about pupils that did not go on the trip – request for Academy to look into this to improve for next time.  | Noted and feedback to be given to Year 4 Progress Leader  |
| 13 | Other positive feedback – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Australia block – natural light, lovely rooms.</li> <li>• Parentmail and communication.</li> <li>• Online payments.</li> <li>• Lost property being open for parents sometimes.</li> <li>• Good to have daytime as well as evening parent forums.</li> </ul> | Positive feedback noted and appreciated!  |