



Minutes of the meeting

1) Pick and Mix Homework follow up from review at last meeting

- Worksheets are working fine but still some difficulty when the book is in school and being marked by teacher. A suggestion of a folder was mentioned but it was felt that this was messy and difficult to organise. Teachers will have a stock of lined paper that can be used when book is in school. This can then be stuck into homework books when book is returned.
- Responses to homework are becoming ever creative and this is very positive and rewarding for the children. These are celebrated in school.
- We need to keep promoting homework club to all children – Mondays 12.30 – 1.10pm
- Spellings – we need to clarify expectations on the back of the Pick and Mix sheets. Year 2 and 4 do this very well. E.g. sent home on a Wednesday and tested each Wednesday.

2) Travel to school

- The travel plan was updated in 2011 – this now needs to be added to the website for parents/carers to view.
- Mrs Cottis shared the current travel plan – it is now a year old and can be updated. There is no longer a Local Authority contact for travel as they have made this role redundant.
- The speed reductions didn't happen.
- There has been a new zebra crossing by The Huntsman Pub.
- Safety railing needed along Westerleigh Road by Key Stage 1 playground – Mrs Fishlock to chase this up with the LA as this is a highways issue.
- We have a Lollypop Man working each morning to assist with crossing the road safely.
- Jenny and Sharon will write an article for the March newsletter about walking to school to share their views of the positives.
- Ideas of an Olympic walking marathon to promote walking to school in the summer term. Possible pedometers? For those who cannot walk to school, we could do a mile circuit around the school once a day at lunchtimes.

3) Late arrival at school

- We discussed late arrival to school and how this has improved slightly with the doors opening from 8.45am for drop off each morning.
- An attendance leaflet is being designed and late letters sent to those who are persistently late.

4) Reading and the development of the library

- £5,000 donation from the PTA for books and furniture.
- This project is due to be complete, mid March.
- Aims to raise the profile of reading across the school – learn to read, read to learn at the centre of all we do. Ideas of reading buddies, reading awards etc for promotion.
- A team of volunteers have painted the murals.

- We plan to sponsor a book to raise money for more resources – possible stall at the PTA summer fair.
- Parents/carers guided reading workshop coming up in term 5.
- LCD flat screen would be useful for library area to display children's work digitally – possible donation from local businesses?

Ideas for the next meeting:

- Lunches and input from children – school cook to attend a school council meeting
- Sporting and Cultural Olympiad
- E-Safety