



## **Stanbridge Primary School**

### **PIP Meeting Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2014**

**Apologies:** Jackie Weathrall-King, Jenny Tucker, Leonie Pollinger, Michelle Walker

**Present:** Faye Bertham, Hayley Robbins, ,Stacey Hopkins, Julie Toy, Maggie Bowyer, Rachel Murley, Sandie Bidwell, Kirsty Poole, Rachel Hitchman

#### **Update from the last meeting**

- The healthy schools survey will now be carried out in September. It was felt that this would be better and would include all new parents. We would then be able to reflect on the findings and make the changes known to parents, to further encourage healthy eating.
- A letter has been written to parents/carers to chase overdue library books. Jenny and Sandie have worked with Cath Luscombe to help out with this piece of work.
- Our whole school photo is taking place on 10<sup>th</sup> July. Hayley and Maggie confirmed that they are able to help on the day. A question was raised about Year 6 children being able to buy the photo as they would have left. Parents can come into the school to order via the office. This has been mentioned to the office staff and they have also said they will send a text to Year 6 parents.
- A Reading Ranger coffee morning took place in Term 6 to enable them to give the school some feedback about their role. They completed a form which has been copied and passed to class teachers. The daily point of contact for Reading Rangers is Mrs Debbie Emes. Next academic year we plan to carry out some further in-depth training for our Reading Rangers with our Literacy Leader to unpick the gaps in children's reading skills and understand what Reading Rangers can do to help move their learning on.
- Mr Williams adapted the Pick and Mix homework information box to make the expectations clearer to parents/carers and children.

#### **School Development Plan (SDP) 2014-2015**

- We shared a copy of the SDP for next academic year. We spent time discussing the various objectives within the plan and also looked at this years' plan.
- Some key features of next years' plan were: the introduction of a new French scheme of work, government changes to the way we level children's achievements, embedding of the new curriculum across the school, closing the gap in boys reading and writing.
- Parents praised the recent whole school events such as sports day and the community charity football match. High praise was also received for the themed 'wow' learning days that we have held across the year such as the Creative Arts around the world day and the Science and Technology day. The parents fed back that they felt this really brought learning to life and the children had thoroughly enjoyed these enriching learning experiences.

#### **AOB**

- Parents asked about the 'Stanbridge Champ Times Tables Challenge' and if all classes were doing this consistently. The children were really excited when Tyson the Times Tables Tiger came into assembly. They don't want the children to lose momentum. Miss Bertham will check in with teachers to confirm that certificates are being awarded consistently.

- A concern was raised about communication and letters going home. Parents reported that children do not always bring their paper letter home and it is not consistently put on the website. It was suggested that letters with tear off slips are sent as a paper copy but also emailed to the relevant year group so that parents know that a letter is supposed to have come home, even if it doesn't make it home! Miss Bertham will feedback to office staff and ensure this improves.
- Sports day feedback commented that this was the best yet! Some parents who have more than one child in Key Stage 2 find it difficult to observe all activities that their children are in. It was suggested that if siblings are both in KS2, then they could be in the same group. This is not always possible due to the way the children are grouped in year groups but Miss Bertham will pass this on to Mr McGovern for consideration next year.
- An issue was raised about the recent supply cover due to staff sickness. This was followed up by Miss Bertham and has been reported to the agency. We try and minimise supply where ever possible and Mr Williams is often able to cover classes, ensuring continuity.
- The recent charity day was a huge success and attended widely, with approx. £2,000 raised for Prostate Cancer UK. A couple of children felt conscious wearing 'sports wear' as they felt they didn't have anything specific other than PE kit. It was suggested that we make it clear that any sports wear would be OK.

### **Next Meeting**

- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2014