

Stanbridge Primary School



PIP Meeting – Friday 17th June

Present: Miss Bertham, Mrs Walker, Nicolette Usher, Jo Mapstone, Emily Baker, Laura Hudson, Joanne Matthews, Kiran Ganpatal, Sandie Bidwell, Julie Toy, Jenni Lewis.

Minutes of the last Meeting

- Leaving school on time – feedback to Year 2 given. Parent's feel there is no longer an issue.
- Discussed a walk to school initiative to improve parking in the area.
ACTION: walk to school week in July.
- Banners for school fence have been priced and will be funded by Nicolette Usher's company. **ACTION:** Miss Bertham to order banners.
- As part of our Silver Time 4 Reading award, we need to encourage adults to be good role models for reading. **ACTION:** adult book swap to be organised by Lucia Weaver. Possible adult book club to take place.
- Legoland letter Year 6 has gone out.
- Jobs Jamboree – coffee morning really well attended 12 parents signed up. Some of the workshops being offered are project management, MOD, farming, midwife, civil judge and air conditioning engineer. Sessions and loose format agreed with parents. Most sessions will be practical. Every class will get 3 different visits. Key focus: life skills, communication, team work.
- Sports Day feedback – really positive. Parents felt the event was well organised and had a great atmosphere. PA system worked well.
- Home Learning Diaries have been checked and there are enough weeks to fill in for the year.
- Feedback to school – use an Owl form. These were available at parent's evening.
- PTA – article went into the school newsletter to say thank for all the hard work the PTA do for the school and to remind parents of the work they do to raise money for the school.
- Tues 12th July- PTA Splash party (water fun event 3.30pm 5.30)
- Allotment: coming on really well. Mrs French is doing a super job. A plan for the future is to have chickens.

School Website Review:

- All dates for the year including will be emailed to webmaster in advance to go on the school website.
- **ACTION:** feedback to office about not receiving a text to remind parents about photograph day.
- **ACTION:** Home Learning link: on parent page and class page to make it easier for the parents to access it. Search facility.
- **CLUBS:** concern raised about parents booking their child in to clubs all year and limiting availability for other children. This can be resolved with the online booking where limitations can be set. Also, staff can double up with Mr Gardiner's club and teacher clubs to enable more children to attend the most popular clubs.
- Online booking and payment system. Online dinner money has been added. Trip payments online will be phased in. Some teething problems as it is a new system for the office.
- Ofsted parent view: This is the first place Ofsted look at to see the parents' view of the school. As many parents as possible to go to this page and answer to questions.
- 10 days notice was given for the Reception trip which was very short. Apologies have been made for the short notice.
- Noah's Ark Zoo: a concern was raised as to whether the children should be going there for their trip due to its creationism view and animal rights concerns covered in the news. Miss Bertham liaised with head at Kingsforest Primary School who visited Noah's Ark and was happy to allow one of the year groups at his school to go there on a trip. Newspaper coverage in the past hasn't shown the farm in a good light historically however this is not the current view. The animal cruelty allegation was not brought against them and they were offered a new licence. Miss Owen visited and felt confident that the provision was suitable. Both said that they won't take children in the exhibition however there was nothing actively promoted about creation.

Road Safety update:

- Martin Woodhouse from the LA visited the site to review the possibility of widening the footpaths along Stanbridge Road. Widening the foot path would cost approx.. £100,000. We are on the local transport priority list to gain funding. Likelihood very slim. Alternative funding

could be through the Local Developer 106 grants. LA will keep us informed.

- Partial widening suggested. Nick Gene suggested double yellow lines. Looking at putting it on corners of Graham Road and Stanbridge Road.

AOB:

- Year 4 camp: concern raised about the children being forced to eat bugs. Fed back that this is not the case. They were given the opportunity to try dry crickets and worms. A fun and risk assessed activity for those who wanted to take part.
- Year 1: cursive crew: aiming for your pen licence. **ACTION:** promote in newsletter.
- Parents fed back that rewards are not always followed through. E.g certificate for pen licence, 100 days reading certificate. **ACTION:** feedback to staff, create a list for teacher to check all the rewards and certificates that need to go out throughout the year.
- BOOK SWAP: ensure fair and consistent as it seems that the children who bought books in did not get the opportunity to take a book in exchange. **ACTION:** feedback to Miss Lazenby
- **ACTION:** YEAR 5 camp meeting (2016-17) to review kit list and opportunity for parents to ask questions.
- **ACTION:** Investigate Pyramid Club for children that aren't assertive – Year 6-7 transition. Thrive will be introduced 2016-17.

Date of Next Meeting: Friday 7th October, 9am