

Thorndown Primary School - Parent Forum Minutes
May 21st 2018

Present: Heather Wood (Chair), Vicci Godbold (Head teacher), Claire Burke (Teacher), Jenny Cowens (Secretary), Sam Poole, Sam Thompson, Ashling Jones, Kasia Lukaszewska

Apologies: None received

1. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

a.) The forum's Terms of Reference were reviewed. The only change necessary was to move Elections to the Spring Term. The Chair to amend.

2. Main topic: PE/SPORT

Presented by Mrs Claire Burke, PE Co-Ordinator (since September 2017)
Please see presentation attached for further details.

Points raised:-

- a.) PE Kit is not required until summer term for reception children. This should be made clear at new parents meeting and within paperwork.
- b.) Request for SENCO specific after school classes/events. Unfortunately, there is no funding for this and Miss Godbold felt that evidence showed that most children do find an activity (sport or otherwise) that they are happy and able to take part in at Thorndown given the vast array provided. However, she will discuss and review possibilities with Mrs Burke

3. Second Topic: THE ENRICHMENT TRUST - POSTPONED

4. AOB

- a.) Ham Baguettes – not currently available at lunchtime as unable to identify origin of ham
- b.) Kingfisher Club – Miss Godbold to check payment reminders were working correctly
- c.) Playground Play Equipment – notices reminding parents/carers that children should NOT be playing on this (immediately) before or after school will be erected. This is because the school's insurance does not extend beyond these hours.
- d.) Could we have microphones for assemblies? Not considered necessary as class assemblies being phased out.
- e.) The new school cook is reviewing/revising all allergies, food preferences, special diets etc to ensure all is correct and up-to-date.

5. Date of next meeting and topic

DATE: Thursday 28th June at 7.15pm in Dragonfly Classroom

TOPIC: MATHS – ADDITION & SUBTRACTION

TOPIC: LOOKING TO THE YEAR AHEAD – September’s meeting

Year Representatives (a point of contact for parents who wish to raise or discuss a matter at the forum).

Reception	Louise Keeley
Year 1	<i>Heather Wood (provisional)</i>
Year 2	Pawel Kurkiewicz
Year 3	Sam Poole
Year 4	Pawel Kurkiewicz
Year 5	<i>Heather Wood (provisional)</i>
Year 6	Clare Lorman-Hall

A REMINDER – that the Forum is a two-way opportunity for parents to raise issues/concerns with representatives from the school as *well* as the school seeking views/opinions from parents on matters relating to the advertised topic. If parents are unable to attend the forum they may miss the opportunity to contribute in this way. The Forum takes place on different nights of the week to try and maximize attendance and is held in the early evening to allow working parents the opportunity to attend.

All parents are members of the parent forum and are welcome to attend the meetings. If you cannot attend but wish to raise an issue you can email parentforum@thorndown.cambs.sch.uk post a note in the suggestion box in the lobby or raise it with your class/year representative.