

## Parent Council Minutes – 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

Welcome and thank you for attending. Agenda passed around for parents to see.

Mr North began the meeting discussing any issues that were outstanding from the previous meeting before Christmas 2023.

Twitter was discussed and addressed. Sean Johnson advised that we are working on other ways to show the schools daily activities and hope to finalise this soon.

Ethic of Excellence in class confused with Excellent Assembly presented on a Friday assembly. Mr North said that we would look at the vocabulary used to distinguish between them both so that children are clear on what all rewards are for. Ethic of Excellence is catching the school's values within the class environment and the tokens given as a well done. The pupil should receive a notification to send home so parents are aware. Hot Chocolate Fridays are also provided to one child per class, per week as a positive reward and the child is invited to spend this time with Mr North. Parents also requested a video to be made possibly by the school council outlining the guidelines on rewards within the school. This was previously mentioned.

The discussion was then passed over to Mrs Dutch with an update on the Sensory Garden. Mrs Dutch showed some lovely pictures which have been drawn up showing where trees will be and confirmed that some trees have already been planted. Pictures of the style of fences that will be used and layout of groundwork, plants and seating that are being proposed. It will look lovely once finished.

Mr Johnson gave a brief update on the school development plan. This involved an update on what work is being done against the different areas of the plan: curriculum implementation, assessment strategies and meeting the needs of all pupils.

Parents were happy that there had been more events being held in school time inviting parents and grandparents in to visit classrooms. This has been a positive move and Mr North explained that this is something that the school is looking to repeat more often.

There was a comment made from a parent that they had not been able to meet with the Senco in school. Mr North was very surprised at this as our SENCO team are very proactive and provided a list of what the team provide. The parents were advised that if any parents feel they have any issues trying to speak to a teacher or a member of staff to always email or approach the school office to get anything rectified.

Emails were then read out and addressed.

Homework is to be a choice for children. Parents were concerned that year 6 children currently do not receive any and then once they leave Loose Primary and go to secondary school that it is suddenly a shock that they have to deal with a heavy workload and not used to Homework. This is something we can look in to.

The meeting was ended at 3.15pm.

Next meeting scheduled for Friday ...... in the Staff Room from 2.15pm for refreshments and meeting to start at 2.30pm.