

Parent Forum

Minutes of meeting 17th January 2012

Present: Kelly Brennan, Tina Mula, Mavis Boateng, Joanna Heller

Apologies: Louise Stokes, Bernard Klemenz, Mandy Madden, Vicky Chandler, Ioana Balanoi, Ana Dobeson.

School Easter Fair: Wednesday 28th March. The parent reps discussed stalls to be organised and run, amount of helpers needed for specific stalls. They wished to hold an Easter bonnet parade, with no overall winner, small prizes for each entry and opportunity to parade bonnet. The reps would like parents to have at least 2 weeks notice of this event. Letter to go out nearer the time.

Miss Brennan organised letters to take to businesses requesting prize donations for the raffle. The reps present at the meeting have agreed to distribute some of these.

Mrs Mula has two bouncy castles that she is willing to offer for the event. Would governors be able to confirm if the school has public liability insurance which would cover the use of these, so that they do not have to be hired from a company for the day.

Mrs Mula raised concerns about the drop off arrangements for Nursery. Parents have approached Mrs Mula with concerns about the length of time parents are in the Nursery before leaving their children. This makes the Nursery very busy and cramped, particularly in the cloakroom area where parents are waiting and talking together before leaving. Now that the children are settled in Nursery, could it be considered that parents drop their child off at the door rather than all entering?

Mrs Mula raised concerns that some parents are having about the admissions process for Nursery children who have St John's as their first choice for Primary school; in particular the use of the stamped attendance card for church. Mrs Stokes has forwarded these concerns to Miss Hobbs.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 7th February 2012 at 2.30 p.m.