



Cherry Tree School

Parent forum meeting minutes

Monday, 21st October 2024 9-10am

These are the items that were discussed at our recent parent forum meeting. Should you wish to comment on any of them, please send an email to the Parent Forum Chair lisavwee@googlemail.com.

Key: D - Discussion, **A** - Action

Regular agenda items

- **Welcome/Introductions**

LW welcomed everyone to the meeting and a list of parent attendees was taken.

- **Minutes of previous meetings**

Nothing was noted arising from these.

- **Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting**

Item AOB - Summer Fayre: Parent feedback regarding the Summer Fayre taking place on a Friday evening was either positive or neutral. The PTA have agreed to keep this event on a Friday in 2025.

Item PE Uniform - School was not able to provide a suitable alternative PE kit in time for a change ahead of the new academic year. This will be considered in 2024-25.

New agenda items

1. **New communication app/communication with parents**

D

Feedback regarding the new app is generally positive. Some parents have had issues in finding what they need within the new system.

VK asked if there could be a multiple payment option.

The fact that a charge is made for credit card use was discussed. This is written into the terms and conditions of the app. The office team have let parents know about this charge.

A glitch with forms had been identified.

A noticeboard is placed in the playground as a reminder of events that are happening imminently.

On the whole, the app was viewed positively and has saved the school £2000 per year.

A

School to ask Reach More App if they can set up a multiple payment option and address the glitch in the use of forms.

2. **Extra-curricular clubs and holiday camps**

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HG asked whether parents would like to see the length of the day extended for holiday camp. It was felt that this might be a welcome change to holiday camps for working parents.

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Survey parents to ask for requirements in terms of childcare in the holidays.

AOB

Parent forum

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The timing of the parent forum was discussed as a possible reason for low attendance.

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LW and HG to set a date for the Spring Term parent forum on a different day to see if that has a positive impact on numbers.

Meeting Closed: 9:30am. Date of next meeting: tbc.