



BROADHEMPSTON VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL LIFE GROUP

Meeting: Tuesday 14th December 15:45, online meeting

In attendance	Rebecca Sear (Governor, Chair), Jill Ryder (Exec Academy Head) , Louise Kneafsey (Parent), Jessica Swinfen (Parent), Susie Pearce (Parent), Gaby Cannon (Staff)	Actions
Apologies	Sarah Kingdon (Parent)	
Approve previous minutes	Previous minutes approved.	
Matters arising from previous meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JR to make links with Village shop to ensure space to display work (Community engagement) • JR to check times of the Eden trip and opportunities for creative work during trip • Parent reps to ensure communication back and forward with other parents in their class groups 	<p>Done. JS suggested surplus tea towels could go in the shop.</p> <p>Trip cancelled</p> <p>In action</p>
Academy Head report	<p>Report attached</p> <p>JR presented the Heads report – see report for details</p> <p>Discussion about reception '22 intake numbers.</p> <p>RS mentioned that several families at Broadhempston Baby, Toddler Group (BBTG) had pre-school age children at Humpty Dumpty Nursery, and maybe direct marketing/or links could be made to help capture families in the area.</p> <p>JR suggested BBTG have a copy of the prospectus available at the group.</p> <p>GC suggested the school re-engage the link with the group and attend a few sessions in the school year.</p> <p>SP asked if OFSTED had visited. JR said not yet, this term, but that it was extremely likely in the new year. OFSTED prep days, of deep subject dives have been happening internally with Staff, Governors and The Academy Leadership team.</p>	<p>JR to give RS a parent pack.</p> <p>RS to organise dates with GC.</p>

<p>Parent Rep feedback</p>	<p>A huge thank you from parents, especially for the Christmas performances and the effort that was made to allow parents to attend. Art week was seen as a great success and a joy to be back in the school. The Rudolph run was another highlight for parent engagement, and the feedback from children has been great.</p> <p>Things parents would like to see at Broadhempston Primary School</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Query about traffic outside of school at the beginning and end of the school day, particularly parents parking near school during these busy times and reversing in and out of the spaces. Safety concern for children as they move around this area. It was discussed that parents should be using the village hall car park where possible. But that car parking couldn't be policed by the school. Also discussed possibility of crossing lines between playground and school. And the development of the Village Square, how might the school want to/or not want to use the space? Safeguarding issues? To be thought through and feedback to Parish Council (PC) via JS and RS. • Some parents finding communication through the app is not working as it should. This point was more widely debated and not necessarily agreed amongst the group. JR explained that all communication was managed through the app and as soon as arrangements for trips etc were known about they were published. • Concerns as to why children with packed lunches were eating in school rather than in the village hall. JR explained that the school had advertised for a Meal Time Assistant for some time but had not filled the post. Staffing levels are dictating where the children can eat lunch on the split site. LK suggested we remind parents of this vacancy and see if there is any interest amongst the group. Milk is being offered to the class in the morning, but most are turning it down. GC reminded that we are extremely lucky to have an oversupply of fruit that is often shared around other classes. • Reading books- feedback about the quality of reading books and timing of books being swapped during the week. GC explained that a meeting at the beginning of term was held with parents to highlight how reading would be managed. Less books are given at a time, the reading book given is linked to the phonics sound of the week, books are changed on a Monday and a Friday. And Beech class are given a story to 	<p>JR- to remind parents of parking arrangements and safety concerns in next newsletter.</p> <p>JS- to speak to NW about signage and/or other possible safety measures to help with traffic concerns.</p> <p>Parent reps to communicate.</p>

	<p>read at home, hopefully one that they don't already have. JR said that Mrs Potter would be running a workshop session with parents in January.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback about the timing of the Nativity, that it started before some parents arrived at 2pm. If there are afternoon performances or volunteering opportunities for parents, as much notice as possible would be helpful. • As per feedback of September meeting, parents have asked about the summer production. A parent has volunteered to give time to produce it. JR explained that this would need to be thought about further, but with the current Curriculum demands highly unlikely. The educational needs of the children come first and this is what JR is held accountable for. A leavers performance will happen. • As per feedback of September meeting, parents asking about the residential trip. This has been provisionally booked. The London trip (of 2016) will not be happening in the foreseeable future. • Science week will be going ahead. • No more after school clubs are planned at present. • GC reminded that there is always a need for Forest School helpers. Parents can look ahead in the school calendar to see when the sessions are booked for. • Discussion about parents coming into school to talk to the children about careers, in particular entrepreneurs, LK discussed dentistry. • Swimming will be happening for KS2 next term. Mr Tanner will communicate soon. • Quote for the shed in playground is being explored. Approx £600 of fundraising for school/PTFA. 	<p>JR to think about, but expressed that this is unlikely.</p> <p>JR and LK to discuss further.</p> <p>RS to take forward with MT.</p>
<p>Date of next meeting</p>	<p>Tuesday 15th March 2022 at 15.45.</p> <p>Note - Children of those reps attending meeting can join the after school club free of charge for the duration of the meeting.</p>	