

Parent's Forum – Meeting Notes and Feedback Jun 24

We held our Parent's Forum meeting this week (June) and it was great to welcome parents into school. It is important we have the views of all stakeholders – children, staff, Governors, parents and the Parish. The purpose is to inform parents and carers about school life at St. Patrick's and improve whole school initiatives. The agenda of our meeting this term was RE at St Patrick's, school clubs and fundraising. It was a really useful and helpful meeting, with some great ideas shared. You will find below the discussion points and comments made.

Our next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 24th September at 9am**. It will be a face to face meeting.

If you have any particular issues or points that you would like us to discuss at our next meeting, please email the school office.

Many thanks

Ms Inglis

Deputy Head

Point for discussion	Points Shared	Comment/Questions
Previous meeting	Communication	<p>Parents agreed that communication has improved.</p> <p>As well as the date being given can times be added to events when published?</p> <p>Weekly Newsletter, website calendar and school app have all dates and times unless it states TBC. Sometimes may be confirmed at short notice.</p> <p>Spoken to the school office and instructions on how to use the school app will be sent out to parents and a reminder about the website calendar and app will be put into the newsletter.</p>
RE	<p>Points shared:</p> <p>A breakdown of how RE is taught across the school.</p> <p>A brief summary of the new RED.</p> <p>Assemblies and focus.</p> <p>Class prayer and Liturgy sessions.</p> <p>Clubs with RE focus.</p>	<p>Parents were interested to know when the new RED was being taught across the whole school. The timeframe was shared with parents.</p> <p>Parents spoke again about how much they value and enjoy the assemblies.</p> <p>Parents asked about collective worship.</p> <p>A summary of how Class collective worship is led was shared with parents.</p>

Clubs	A list of clubs that will be provided by St. Patrick's for the next academic year (2024/25) was shared with parents.	<p>There were many suggestions: One parent offered to support/lead a BSL club. One parent asked about a Chess Club and Coding Club that could possibly be run by outside agencies. They were going to forward me contacts/web links.</p>
St. Patrick's Fundraising Association	Details about our new fundraising association were shared and ideas and thoughts asked for.	<p>Comments included: A school Just Giving page. This is being looked into along with other charitable status.</p> <p>World Book Day - Great idea of parents donating old costumes and there being a costume sale in the lead up to World Book Day and these costumes being sold at a set price to parents. This will be adopted for WBD 2025</p> <p>WBD - Idea shared of it being a PJ wearing day. This idea will be held onto. Previous idea will be adopted and trialled first.</p>
Cultural Day	Cultural Day and lack of interest was brought up and thoughts asked for.	<p>Parents stressed that they enjoy and value Cultural Day but did admit with everything else going on in Summer 2, it was a very busy time. They liked the change of date for Sports Day.</p> <p>Idea of moving Cultural Day to September was shared. Parents were very supportive of this idea.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - More welcoming for new parents, a way to celebrate and welcome new families into our school community. - A way to promote school and clubs through the giving out of flyers and an information table at the event. - A way to attract parent volunteers for trips and SPFA.
General comments ...		<p>Parents spoke again about the WOW assembly and how having a</p>

		<p>week's notice is helpful. They have asked if children are aware that they have WOW as some seem surprised that they have had it. Staff will be reminded to let the children know that they have WOW.</p> <p>Trips - idea shared of a general volunteer list for parent helpers. This is to be discussed with Mrs Newman.</p> <p>Year 6 residential was brought up and the idea of a parent meeting to be held in Year 5 so that information can be shared with parents to help them make a decision. Suggestion shared with Mrs Newman and SLT.</p>
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