



## PARENT PARTNERSHIP MEETING - Minutes

**Date:** Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
**Location:** Staff Room – Heron Way

**Time:** 9:00am

**Present:** Katie Marsh, Mrs Campbell, Sarah Thomas, Ursula Hudson, Nick Scott, Sarah Millard, Becky Gallagher, Victoria Wyllie de Echeverria, Claire Tyler, Paula Pelham, Claire Harding, Kimberley Williams, Gemma Hall, Steve Goodwin, Sara Beadle, Vanessa Reeves

Agenda Item	Points raised
<b>Vision &amp; Values</b>	<p><u>Parents' Vision &amp; Value Evening</u>            JC gave a synopsis of the parent information evening where approximately 30 parents attended. The evening took parents through the process of what the staff had discussed during the September inset days and the systems that are now in place to achieve positive behaviour. <b>JC has sent out a communication giving further details.</b>            JC thanked those PP members that had sent through their children's responses when questioned on the meaning of SHINE, our values, the behaviour ladders and the leaf awards. The children are showing an understanding of what our 'value' words mean (respect, resilience and achievement), children have shown examples of resilience, respect and how important it is to be kind. Examples of this are being shown at home with the children showing signs of bringing in our values into their everyday living. SHINE is proving to be very effective with the children. Children's opinions and behaviour were discussed.</p> <p>The consistency of behaviour from the rules and routines has worked well within school, there is a lot of work being done around the language of choice.</p> <p>JC explained that the 'Value Leaves' are given out every Friday in the 'Values Assembly' and put on the tree at the back of the hall.            It was asked if parents could be notified when leaves are given to their child so it could be discussed and acknowledged at home. JC said we will look into this however, they are taken home at the end of each half term, giving the opportunity for the children to talk to parents then.</p>
<b>Membership of Parent Partnership</b>	<p><u>Update on Class Reps – any movement?</u></p> <p>Andrew Jackson rep for Class 2IW has stepped down, Kimberley Williams and Victoria Wyllie de Echeverria are now the class reps for 2IW. We still have a vacancy for a Class rep in 6HAY.</p>

<p><b>Any other business</b></p>	<p><u>Selection for Sport Events:</u>  How the children for sporting events were selected was questioned, as it appears the same children are selected each time. JC responded by saying that all children participated in trials prior to an event. Selection was made based on the best timings. SM said she felt the best children <i>should</i> be put forward. Why we weren't entering all the events was also questioned. JC explained that the cost of sending members of staff can be very expensive. It was suggested that parent volunteers could be a consideration but JC explained this wouldn't work due to too many safe-guarding and educational visit constraints.</p> <p>It is important that children know they will not always be picked. JC explained that for some children it is their opportunity to shine, if they didn't have the chance to go to sporting events they would not succeed especially if they felt everyone else in the classroom is better, this is where they get the opportunity to improve morale. JC will feedback comments on fair opportunity. It was said by several members of the parent partnership that if your child didn't get picked how you deal with it as a parent and turn it into a positive by not being picked is up to you. AC suggested non-sporting competitions as a good idea.</p> <p><u>Maths results for last year:</u>  JC talked through our maths results following a query about our results last year. We were really annoyed children didn't reach expected target last year but standard was reached in reading, writing and mathematics when you look at all 3 subjects together. Looking at a 3 year trend we have gone up dramatically. Always look at results with a huge amount of caution.</p> <p>WE choose what we have seen through-out the year in order to get "through the roof" progress scores to dampen down our higher standard in KS1. We will need greater depth for improved progress.</p> <p>Expected standard in reading, writing and maths has consistently improved and is a key measure. It will take 3 - 4 years for the results of change of maths teaching to come through. It's too early to tell the impact of not setting the class.</p> <p><u>Fund-raising event:</u>  A 'Just Giving' page has been created to raise funds for a year 4 family who are struggling with debt; Heron Way has been approached for use of the school's hall. JC has spoken to the school governors. The school is not a registered charity and we cannot specifically be seen to show support to just one family. There is a lot more that needs to be taken into consideration. How do we know the money is spent correctly - could we end up being sued? SG said he would run the event as his and HW could charge him hall hire. JC said this would be using his insurances. SG understands the need to remain impartial. CT said the PTA was in the same position.</p> <p><u>Communication Update:</u> We are looking at Twitter as another platform for communication – parents were positive about use of this platform. A lot of schools have this as oppose to instagram or facebook. Further investigation by the school will be made.</p>
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	<p><u>Heron Way App</u></p> <p>Update on Piota has raised a few issues particularly for android users preventing parents from being able to access the app. SY to chase Piota (<i>this has been done and details of moving to the stand alone app have been sent out to parents</i>). We are still in the process of setting up individual channels on the app so we will no longer have the need to use school comms. Parents will be updated with the progress.</p> <p><u>Year 3 homework</u></p> <p>Class Reps said Parents frustrated at completing the homework and it not handed in or taken the day that it has been taken into school. Reading was also a concern JC will look into this.</p>
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Upcoming meetings:

**(Please note there will be no meeting on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April)**

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June @ 9am