

AVON PRIMARY PARENT/CARER FORUM



Meeting number: 4

Date: 14.6.16

Item	Outcomes
<p>Feedback on the School Improvement Plan 2015-2016</p>	<p>Maths:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children excited about maths now. • Children actively exploring patterns in times tables and wanting to learn others. • Mathletics has become boring- profile needs raising to encourage competitive element- would be good set as homework now and then. <p>Curriculum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some Lines of Enquiry 'grab' children more than others. • Takeaway homework very successful. • More KS1 clubs please! <p>English</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cursive handwriting very popular. • Informative classroom display help parent s too. • Spelling sheets very helpful. • Writer of the week in Year 2 really encourages children. <p>Parental Involvement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was suggested that the Parent Forum may be more popular if we feedback what has been covered this year • It was agreed that the forum and coffee mornings should keep running and that the new Facebook page will promote these more effectively. • SLT took on board ideas about reporting progress more regularly and offering advice how to support at home, but that this could not increase teacher workload. • Seeing Rapid Response comments in books at the start of the day really helps, though this would only occur in Year 2 as parents don't come in from Year 3 in the mornings. • Class email/Facebook groups would link parents together more (needs to be set up by parents- would a parent rep system be worth trying?) <p>Building</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A large map of the world mural would be a great resource for the school. • There are still concerns about the narrow pathway by the new building. • Some suggestions were made to improve the area where Reception are dismissed. • Mrs Ferns explained the financial implications of this.

	No feedback was given with regards to the rebranding, behaviour and safety.
School Improvement priorities for parents next year	<p>We had some excellent input from the last meeting, with some additional discussion today.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outdoor learning is a popular item. Mr Bacon talked about research on 'Nature Deficit Disorder'. We agree that children will make greater progress as a result of learning about the natural world, mindfulness in the outdoor, additional outdoor exercise and in simply taking indoor lessons outdoors. • Curriculum Weeks. The science week was a big hit with children and parents. The carousel days were particularly praised as children were able to work in different classes, with different members of staff. Parents would like more of this cross-phase learning. • Continuing to develop reading through access to better range of books, particularly for boys.
Next Year's Forum	The SLT will send out new invitations to join the forum in September. Existing members can apply again and there can be multiple members in each class. Thank you for all your support this year.