



OLD BEXLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

PARENT FORUM MINUTES

Wednesday 25th June 2025

Attendees:

Katie Allgood (KA)	Year 3 Representative
Sandra Brown (SB)	Year 2 Representative
Abby Dunlop (AD)	Year 5 Representative
Kat Ford (KF)	Year 1 Representative
Joelle Mullin (JM)	Nursery Representative

Mrs G England (GE)	Deputy Head Teacher
Mrs J Netherton (JN)	Deputy Head Teacher
Lisa Donaldson (LD)	Forum Secretary

Apologies:

Jumoke Adebisi (JA)	Year 6 Representative
Alex Mills (AM)	Year 4 Representative
Dion Navarro (DN)	Reception Representative

Actions from Previous Minutes

Incentive to complete homework

Looking at a points system that equals rewards.

Play Equipment

This has been bought and ready for September.

100% Attendance Reward

Some said that the children are bored of non-uniform. JN advised that the children choose their rewards, other options can be chosen.

Parent Agenda Items

Nursery

Dog Policy

This will be clarified with Mrs Ivil. **An email has been sent to parents since.**

Side Gate

Parents asked if the side gate from Nursery to the rest of the school could be opened to allow easy access. **Mr Ivil will do this from today.**

Reception classes from September

Some context around the 2 class year group next year for Reception. **It will remain as two classes.**

Year 1

Homework

Can homework sheets be printed and handed out? **High workload for teachers.**

After School Waiting Area

No designated indoor area for parents/ grandparents to wait for children during clubs. **Explained about it potentially being a safeguarding issue and advised to speak to other parents to see what they do.**

The Pantry

Would like larger portions. Can they have more than just their set meals given to them? Can they have pizza and pasta instead of only pasta? **Directed to speak to The Pantry.**

Scooters

A couple of scooters have gone missing recently – **Mr Ivil has put up netting to stop anyone from outside grabbing them over the fence.**

Year 2

Playground Equipment

Lack of equipment, not allowed footballs – **The children do have equipment on the playground, unfortunately not enough for everyone to have something each.**

Year 3

No other items

Year 4

No other items

Year 5

No other items

Year 6

No other items.

General feedback over all year groups:

Sports Day

- Overall positive feedback. The inclusion of all children was especially praised.
- It was felt that the school doesn't invest a lot of effort into school sports
- Inadequate shade for a very hot day. Gazebos? – **The school have got these.**
- Consider an earlier time in the summer when cooler for Sports Day – **Richard (TSS) couldn't make mornings this year but will look at this for next year.**
- Request for coloured teams – **Richard (TSS) to take a look at.**
- Collection of children once done or perhaps push back sports day 30 minutes later – **This would be extremely difficult due to collection of siblings.**
- Toilets for parents on the day – **Unfortunately there are not enough staff members to assist with this and is a safeguarding issue walking around the school.**

PTA Recruitment

- Information regarding who are in the PTA, what they do and estimated time commitment might help recruit – **PTA attend one meeting a month, need to be available for the Summer and**

Christmas Fair, be able to navigate a spreadsheet. Any parents looking to get more information can email the PTA, this can be found on the school website.

- If more notice of events was given, it would help in advance with childcare and work – **noted.**

Celebration of Learning

- Positive feedback generally.
- Nice opportunity to look at the children's books as parents don't always get a lot of time at parents evening.
- More notice would be helpful for working parents, across two days would be helpful – **will be looked into.**

Voluntary Donations

- Parents would like to know what the donations are spent on.
- The possibility of giving a specific equipment donation – **Possibility of Amazon wish list.**
- Amazon wish list/ easy fundraising – **Parents to sign up.**
- Some parents worried about the amount of donations they are already giving, such as themed days.
- Parents would like it to be optional – **Donations are not compulsory.**

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Next Parent Forum Meeting – Tuesday 18th November at 2:00pm.