

 **THE COPPICE PARENT FORUM**

 **18th January 2022**

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| Please feel free to speak to one of the parent representatives if there is anything you would like discussed at the next meeting. If you are free, you are welcome to come along and join us!  |
| Lindsey Ashwell | Deputy Headteacher |  *Present*  |
| Jenny F | **Nursery**: Alfie **5W**: Erin | *Present* |
| Vikki D | **1B**: Isabelle **3KP**: Ellie  | *Apologies sent*  |
| Philippa H | **2A:** Cooper  | *Present* |
| Alison N | **4J:** Matthew **6C**:Sam | *Present* |
| Angela L | **5W**: Hollie | *Present* |

**Agenda items / Minutes from meeting:**

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| 1. New library

The new library is a welcome addition to The Coppice. It is going to take a while to fill it with books. Good quality book donations would be gratefully received (both for the new library and for book areas in classrooms). |
| 1. The Coppice Way - *behaviour in and around schoo*l

The Coppice Way was introduced to the children during the first week in September. All staff in school were part of the launch so that there is consistency with the approach. The children have responded well and we are particularly pleased with the way children are now greeting adults in school. The expectations will be reinforced throughout the year.  |
| 1. Lunchtimes - *How do the children find them?*

A few issues raised with AIP and the quality of food provided. Portion size was raised as a concern for one parent. The question was asked as to whether Dairy free options were available.Regarding logistics, one parent mentioned that some children felt they were being rushed and were not being given the time to eat (this is more of an issue in the juniors). LA will look at this and talk to lunchtime supervisors.  |
| 1. Covid in school *(Carpark and One-way system/ masks in playground / Moving forward (under constant review / Assemblies / plays/ clubs etc).*

The one way system, entering school through one gate and leaving through the other is working well.The actual reason for this was in response to Health and Safety guidance where we were advised against having children walking out through the top carpark. The vast majority of parents have been supportive of mask wearing in the playground at collection time.  |
| 1. Trips

The costing of off-site visits was discussed with the cost of coaches being a large proportion of the cost of a visit. It was suggested that we could show parents a breakdown of the costings. Getting everyone to pay is a growing issue. The idea of ‘voluntary’ contributions was discussed. The support we offer to PP families for trip payments was also mentioned.  |
| 1. Updated website - *feedback*

The new website is now up and running. Feedback on the ease of finding things will be welcomed at the next meeting. |
| 1. Coppice Curriculum - *Children talking about their learning?*

The feedback was positive. Children are enjoying many curriculum areas, Some things have now changed to different year groups - this has also meant trips have changed. Positive responses overall.  |
| AOB: The ease of reading the school newsletters on phones was raised. A parent had mentioned they were not able to access them however other parents have not had any problems. Emails from school have sometimes gone into junk folders, - this is not something school can control.  |
| Date for next meeting - TBC |