

Parent's Forum - 7 February 2020

KE, NC, LK, VR, SA, KB, AS, RI, CG, DA, AP.

Apologies: LR, RP, LJ

1. Eco School

One person's rubbish is another person's treasure! St George's to have a new Facebook page to give your old stuff a new home. A number of parent forum members to be administrators. Closed group for St George's Parents only. Free things only - no buying and selling.

Friends of Widmore Green Spaces - a new group of local people working to make Pembroke Park a better space for everyone. There is a Friends of Widmore Green Spaces and there will be a family fun day in Pembroke Park on Saturday 21 March. Kellie Blake is the contact at St George's. School Council is involved in litter picking in Pembroke Park too.

2. Wellbeing report from Aquinas Advisory Council

The following school initiatives are organised for children's SEMH (mental health and wellbeing and behaviour). The school has trained mental health coaches and offers ELSA sessions (emotional support), Listening Ear sessions with the Family Worker, Kick London male mentor, Counsellor in school and the school works with outside agencies such as Bromley Wellbeing services. The school is taking part in SEMH projects offered by Bromley which supports the children, staff and parents. The church is also paying for coaching sessions for some of the pupils through Steer right lifestyle programme. The school also offers check in and out sessions when breakfast is available for children too. PSHE (Personal, Social, Health Education) is also part of the school's weekly curriculum and the school's vision and virtues are embedded within the curriculum. PF discussed the use of name calling and the importance of how children handle conflict and how they reply to this. Sub group being set up to discuss.

PF discussed the importance of outdoor play in wet weather. Coats are available for children who do not bring a coat to school.

PSHE - school values. How we handle conflict and how school values are woven into the curriculum was discussed. Also how do we enrich the curriculum with our value. Jars with a voting system with a fun reward at the end of term was suggested.

Bullying - escalation process was discussed. It was suggested that children be given words and phrases to support each other. Sub group to be set up after half term to discuss wording.

3. Ofsted

An inspection is imminent as last two-day inspection was in February 2015. Request to complete the online parental survey when the link is sent.

4. Atlas Unit - missing and gangs' presentation

Have offered Y6 presentation.

5. Coffee Mornings

A series of speakers are being contacted to share their knowledge and ideas at coffee mornings. Welcare will be attending the next coffee morning on 6 March at 9am.

Suggestions included: Time to Talk, Environmental issues, Bromley Voice, Tracey from SNT. Requested other ideas or recommendations for speakers.

6. Edukey

A website for all children who are doing any additional interventions at school, such as reading groups, ELSA, maths, Speech and language. Eventually all parents will be sent a password. A trial is going on at the moment.

7. Target Tracker Reports

Following feedback from parents and staff a new category will be included on trackers and 'at risk' will now be called 'just within expected'. Teachers use this to track, monitor and target support on a half-termly basis.

8. Home Learning

Once per term all children will get an extended home learning project.

9. Nourish

Any complaints about lunches can go directly to Nourish.

siobhan@nourishcontractcatering.co.uk

10. Traffic

La Fontaine are changing their hours of opening after half term - New hours are 8.30-3pm. Enforcement officers will be in the area issuing fines for idling engines over the next few weeks.

11. AOB

If crossing patrol staff are off sick, the Council/employer should provide cover.

Online games such as Roblox are being played with chat function on and causing conflict at school. School will organise workshops around it.

Remind your contacts to book parents' evening.

Time/date of next meeting tbc