# Parent Forum Meeting

## 18/10/2019

9.15 am Kildwick Church

Members present:
Mr Whitehead - Headteacher
1 Parent Governor
13 Parents

#### Introduction

Mr Whitehead welcomed everyone to the third parents forum meeting. Which is to promote working together and communication. To encourage conversation in a constructive way for the school and the pupils. The meetings are parent guided so their thoughts can be listened to and questions answered. All for the benefit of the pupils and teachers and the school.

### **School Communication**

The school Facebook page is still on hold for the time being.

The progress of the building works were just waiting to be finished off comments on the building works were very positive, also from people how neighbour the school building.

The school website is up and running comments were that the website was being used by the parents at the forum and very positive.

The packed lunch trolley is Working very well.

The lockers look large but the feedback from the pupils are very good.

A meeting is to be arranged with Lesley to explain about SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools)

A letter was handed out From the Reverend Julie Bacon about the future of St Andrews Church at the meeting also this has been sent out by e-mail as well

## Playground area

Mr Whitehead explained about the playground will have new signage with directions on, also to have meetings with Lets Play Everywhere on the future of the playground and to speak to other companies about the playground.

Possibly putting a quiet reflection area for the pupils and different interactive panels along the fencing or walls.

## **Collective Worship**

Collective worship is very popular and positive with some areas to develop. There is a new Collective Worship Council which have just been elected and split into two groups in each class.

To try and get more parents to use the forum, a possible link with the parents forum and the collective worship may help to get more people to get to the meetings and be involved and interact with the forum.

## School Clubs

The Art club there are quite a number of pupils to attend the club

The Garden Club, some children have started to use community garden with planting and planning which they are enjoying.

They are also going to be using it for Forest School Activities with Sarah and some teachers are to receive training on this.

This will help to have outdoor classes and give the pupils new life skills.

There has been a visit from the Woodland Trust to the garden.

In the springtime an invitation to parents to take part in the garden and hold an opening party for the garden.

## PTA

Lisa Snell from the PTA was at meeting.

The christmas fair was discussed first with people offering to help.

Also with lots of ideas on what they could do with items to sell, stalls to cover, class stalls with pupils in charge of them, Santa Claus and asking parents to possibly involved in getting items for the Christmas Fair

Another meeting was arranged to discuss the PTA christmas fair and telephone numbers were written down for a PTA whats app to be set up by Lisa.

There was a positive reaction to the PTA and its future from the parents and Headteacher at the meeting when Lisa steps down from the PTA next year. With parents talking about getting involved with the PTA

The Christmas Fair is on the 29th November 3.30-6 pm

The cellar in the school to be looked at where the PTA store items that they keep for future events.