E-Safety

The recent E safety parents session was well attended and feedback very positive. This is an increasingly important subject and it was discussed in length how we can provide parents and children with appropriate information and resources. Ideas such as a separate email with grabbing titles and giving children homework which need to be completed with a parent were put forward. We discussed the idea of asking the kids to do a confidential / anonymous questionnaire regarding E-Safety.

Year 1

School bus – a parent was concerned that another parent had helped the infant children off the school bus. Mrs Wilde reassured that the morning mentioned a teacher who is also a parent had led the children off the bus and into school.

Reading – the children are reading regularly in class however this may not be being recorded in their reading records. Mrs Wilde to speak to teacher re: stamping the children's books so that the parents know when they have read at school. The school is in need of parents volunteers to listen to children read – volunteers will need to be DBS checked (which the school pays for) and be able to commit to regular times.

Year 2

Winter Uniform – this is trousers for boys, however children wishing to wear shorts can but it is not recommended in the very cold weather.

After school club – the school will not be extending the hours of these sessions due to staff already working long days. Children will continue to not be allowed a packed supper but the school will investigate offering a wider range of snacks eg. Cereal and yogurts.

Year 3

Allocation of clubs – some children did not sign up for clubs as they were worried that they would not get a place as so popular. Children were encouraged by the school to still sign up as if they are oversubscribed often clubs are divided into year groups etc to cope with the demand. Clubs will be changing each term depending on teacher volunteers and the school will inform parents of the club options as soon as possible at the beginning of each term.

Open lessons and open book sessions – these continue to be held each term and the dates are on the school calendar. Parents are reminded of the advantages of syncing their phone calendar to the school calendar (found on the website) so that they have all of these dates to hand. Reminded for school events can be set up on individual phones.

Year 5

Event dates – parents requested as much notice as possible to be given of dates to help with organisation such as trips, events needing outfits / costumes.

Holiday Clubs – the school are looking into the possibility of this.

Communication at the juniors – a few times recently things were handed out to junior parents a period of time after infant parents. This was due to a few isolated events but the school is spit over two sites and this does create difficulties from time to time, especially as there is not full time admin person at the juniors.

Newsletter – feedback has been received from several classes that the newsletter is often of a negative tone directed at the parents. School often have a message pertinent to a number of parents, they try not to overburden parents with excessive emails and save items for the weekly newsletter. They advise parents to take notice of items relevant to them.

Sports day feedback – feedback both positive and one negative comment was discussed and ways in which this may be run differently next year. Every child wearing a coloured sash to represent their house was suggested to avoid the sharing of tabards and fund raising may occur for these before the next sports day.

Date of next meeting – Friday 8th February 2019 at the Infant Site.