

NEWS FROM THE PARENTS' FORUM

Another meeting of The Parents' Forum took place at 9am on Tuesday 2 October 2018. Thank you to all who attended. The Discussions are outlined as below for all parents to consider.



Issues discussed (and responses) at meeting held on Tuesday 2 October 2018

Staffing 2018–2019

Mr Kirkwood: Our new PE assistant has already made a huge impact on our school. His role is to enable all pupils of St. Catherine's to have access to a range of sporting activities both within school hours and after school. At lunchtime, Mr Kirkwood facilitates games and activities every day to encourage active play and this has, in turn, significantly reduced the amount of 'play-time' incidents which occurred before. We are thrilled to have Mr Kirkwood on board.

Mrs Brookman: Is settling into her new role. She is with us for 2 days per week and her main role is going to be ensuring that our school is well advertised, promoted and represented in social media. She will also be refreshing and updating our own school website regularly and will be a key organiser of social events.

Up & Coming Events

Up & Coming Events: A list of events was shared with parents (which you can find on our school website)

Results for End of 2017/18

Results: Mrs Askham shared the general picture of our end of year results for Year 2 and Year 6. The picture for KS1 (Y2) in Reading, Writing & Maths is a good one with our school being in line with the 'National Outcomes'. At KS2 (Y6) the results for Reading, & Writing were fine (and within the 'National Average') but Maths was low. We know why this was and have a comprehensive plan for raising our maths attainment. We have invested in a new maths programme / scheme and have adopted a new approach to teaching maths.

Mission Statement Review

Mission Statement Review: Those present looked at the current School Mission Statement. No changes were requested / suggested. Pupils from each class presented their classroom missions to parents and explained how they linked to the Mission's bullet points:

- Growing in Faith
- Learning for Life
- Aiming for Excellence

Any Other Business

Any Other Business: Parents will try to persuade others to attend the next meeting. GA will send out an explanation about the purpose of the Forum and invite all parents to attend.

Date of the next meeting: Tuesday 15 January 2019 with breakfast at 8.30am in the School hall. The meeting will begin at 9am and close at 9.30am. Please come along and bring friends.