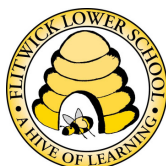


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Parent Voice minutes

15th May 2013

Present: Joanna New, Fiona Wood, Carol Davis, Mrs Luik, Mrs Rowntree, Miss Farnes, Mrs Wear.

Introductions were made and the purpose of the parent's voice groups discussed.

It was decided that as not many parents attended we would discuss the points raised through the comments box and defer the drawing up of terms of reference until the next meeting.

Donations or a certain set price for a charity fun day.

This is regarding the various charity days held in school where it says a suggested donation of could we set the donation price as a set price and not suggested. A suggestion was made to set charities at the beginning of the year and notify parents so they can plan.

It was decided that we would give a set price and that the school Ambassadors would set the charities for the year and notify parents.

School dinners and finishing desserts.

This was raised as a concern, that if pupils don't want to finish why are they encouraged to finish. It was explained that children are not forced but encouraged to finish dinners so we can ensure they have a balanced meal. If they really don't want it then the staff notify parents so they know what the children have eaten.

Information regarding transitions

Teachers have comprehensive transition timetables to share information regarding children with the new class teacher. Notes are kept and passed on if necessary. It was discussed about contacting teachers and staff shared that it is best to email the school office and they are then forwarded on to teachers, or a phone call for parents to arrange a face to face meeting.

Walking to school

A discussion was had around year 4 pupils walking to school and a parent's concern that they had to. It was shared that it is the parent's decision if they want their child to walk and at no time is this forced upon children. They are given the choice to walk to school in readiness for the move to middle school where lots of children walk alone.

Parent Evenings

We offer 2 evening slots one slightly earlier and one later. Parents were concerned about not being able to get later slots, different scenarios were discussed and it was decided that we would put the boards up together in the hall so parents could try and get meetings close together if they have more than one child. It was also reiterated that parents can ring in or send a message to the teacher to get an appointment especially if they are working as they may not get into school to sign up.

Next meeting 19th June @ 7.15pm Key Stage 2 shared area.

