

Parent Forum Review of 2012-2013



Number of meetings held : 6

Total attendance(parents) 58

- Parent forum meeting dates are now embedded in the school calendar.
- Parent forum direct email keeps the forum database of parents informed of regular events, meetings and key information.
- Agenda items throughout the year were raised with both parents and school. Key staff members have attended the forum to discuss various agenda items including Independent Learning, FROG-VLE, Accelerated Reading and E-Safety.
- Parent forum members supported a coffee morning to support parents during transition in July 2012. Questions raised from new parents were recorded and these formed a basis for a 'Top Tips for Parents Booklet'. This booklet was finalised in June 2013 and will be given to year 7 parents in September 2013.
- Another coffee morning was organised for year 6 parents this year and it was well supported by year 7 parents from parent forum and the PFA, some of these had attended as year 6 parents the previous year. The event was emailed to the primary schools and advertised at the uniform evenings but only a small number of parents attended. Feedback was positive but more advertisement is needed for future events to ensure more parents benefit.
- Parents Evening- Discussion and feedback regarding the new online system-this prompted additional rooming/area information to be added to the appointment system.
- A member of the PFA gave an overview of the PFA's role in school. Following this meeting a member of the Parent Forum kindly arranged for two pull up banners to be printed. These were donated to the PFA to help promote and raise awareness in school.
- E-safety continues to raise concerns with parents and this has been a topic at various forum meetings. The forum have initially discussed produce a 'Top Tips for Parents' to help raise awareness and help ensure children are safe when using the internet.
- Northamptonshire Parent Partnership Service is now promoting parent forums in schools within the county. They will support schools with setting up forums and also acknowledge the forums already running successfully in schools. They have recently awarded Sponne a 'Gold Award' to recognise the success of the parent forum at Sponne.



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