



Phase Leader Meeting 17th January 2018

Attendees:

Simon Avenell	Sally Hollyer
Buff Odell (yr 4 rep)	Jo Williams (yr 3 rep)
Louise Suggett (yr 1 rep)	Amanda Butter (yr 1 rep)
Sarah Walker (yr R rep)	Nicky Duchesne (yr R rep)
Nic Jepson-Coates (yr 6 rep)	Jo Pinchbeck (yr 5 rep)
Sarah Canning (yr 2 rep)	Ann Lawrence (yr 6 rep)

Apologies: none supplied

Early Years KS1 (Mrs Hollyer)

- There was a question about how reading is monitored and assessed - Mrs Hollyer advised that phonics takes place every morning and children are encouraged to read and write throughout the day during their activities, reading labels, worksheets etc. Guided reading takes place once a week and teachers aim to hear children read on a one-to-one basis every fortnight. Reading levels are assessed against the curriculum but teachers also use their own judgement when deciding if a child can move reading level.
- It would be very helpful to have more volunteers to hear the children read in EY and KS1.
- There was a question about how frequently IT is taught - this is weekly for all classes though some lessons may not use the laptops - eg e-safety which was taught last term.
- There has been a glitch with the library IT which has mean that some classes have been unable to borrow books - this should now be resolved.
- There was a question about the use of the gardens and outdoor learning - the veg beds will start to be tidied as the weather improves and an update on the Wildlife Garden will be included in the next newsletter - at present there is algae which means it cannot be used but this should be clear soon. Some consideration needs to be given to access to the garden - as it can be very muddy on the field - perhaps some pathing?
- There will be a SATs evening to tell parents about the year 2 SATs but Mrs Hollyer stressed that the teachers handle these tests very sensitively. General testing takes place at the end of each unit from year 1 through to year 6, enabling teachers to assess the children and personalise their learning.

KS2 (Mr Avenell):

- There was a question about the daily run - Mrs Eden advised that this will recommence once the weather improves and children are freer from coughs and bugs.