

Parent Partnership Agenda: 26.4.2022

08.50 - -09.50 in The Staff Room

In Attendance: Mrs Bee, Mrs Riches and Mrs Sharpe.

1. Actions from last meeting

All agenda items were revisited.

School uniform:

It was explained that we are in communication with Skoolkit on how we can find some ways in which parents can access items of clothing at a cheaper rate. The pre-loved idea was discussed again and it was suggested that we advertise in the May newsletter about passing on any old clothing ahead of it being sold to parents ahead of the summer term.

ACTION:

School to put information on May newsletter. Friends of Rowner to collect the uniform and prepare ahead of selling.

2. Jubilee Sensory Garden Update

Preparation will begin on Ground Force Day. Mrs Mulhall is in discussion with J.Kinnaird to discuss how the garden area can be developed in the future. It was suggested that we could have a water feature. Those discussed included: solar panel, pebble feature/ball

ACTION:

Mrs Mulhall to finalise the longer term plan for the Jubilee Sensory Garden.

3. Jubilee Party Update

Mrs Sharpe is meeting with the infants on Wednesday 27th April to finalise the joint Jubilee event between the infants and junior school. Events will then be shared with our community in the May newsletter.

Other ideas suggested on events we could participate in and/or how we could raise further funds for the Friends of Rowner.

- 1. Community donates cakes and we then have a cake sale and/or raffle.
- 2. Paint stones (see last meetings minutes)
- 3. Play some games/outside area activities. (Traditional games)

4. Music from the decades.

ACTION from last meeting: Mrs Lowe to see if we can get support with the sewing of the bunting. Still to be confirmed.

ACTIONS:

School to follow up with Mrs Lowe regarding above point.
School to communicate finalised events in the May newsletter.

5. FOR - Friends of Rowner

Mrs Sharpe explained how our previous Parent/Teacher group, 'Rowner United Friends and Family' (RUFF) has now been renamed 'Friends of Rowner' (FOR). We are keen to have more parents join the group and it was discussed how we might do this. Ideas included:

- When families join our school, information about 'Friends of Rowner' is included in the induction pack.
- Consideration of timings for meetings in school hours would be beneficial for parents. Although it was also discussed how releasing teachers would be problematic for this.
- Mrs Bee and Mrs Riches both said that they were happy to be on part of the committee and to support at events.
- Further communication will be in the May newsletter about how parents can join and be part of the Friends of Rowner.
- It was suggested that there was an option for a Google Form in which parents could tick a box with how/what they can help with. This could be in the form of having a range of activities that are coming up in the term ahead and parents saying how they are able to help/support.

ACTIONS:

School to action: include in the May newsletter. Friends of Rowner could also be a standing item on the newsletter.

Create a document for the induction packs as well as to consider a Google Form to gauge parental levels of support.

6. Transition

Transition, both within school and the Y2/3 and Y6/7 transition was discussed. It was explained that we are in the process of organising classes and teachers next year, however decisions aren't finalised until after half term. Information is shared with pupils and parents in the final report.

Parental feedback included:

- Ensuring information on new teachers is shared in a timely way with parents and

pupils and when the transition days will be.

- Parents to have the opportunity to talk to new teacher ahead of September -

potentially on the day of transition. Whilst Y3 have this opportunity, it was felt that

this would be good for all year groups.

ACTION:

School to action the opportunity for parents to attend an informal meeting with their child's

new class teacher after the transition days/event.

7. AOB

It was raised that children have the opportunity to visit a modern naval ship when

they are comparing the different ships (Y5 curriculum). Mrs Riches passed the

contact details onto school.

- We discussed the opportunity for more parental events as a way to open the school

to our community. The group spoke about putting on different events to appeal to

wider audiences especially as we come out of lockdown and where some people

might not feel comfortable in crowded spaces. Some ideas included reading with

parent/carer at the start of the day, art sessions, coffee mornings. It was felt that having sessions on different days/times/events would also encourage wider

engagement.

Possible agenda items at the next meeting to include plans for the summer term, end

of year 6 events/transition, possible fundraising events.

Next meeting date: Tuesday 24th May at 08.45.