



Parents' Forum minutes Thursday 23rd May 2024

Present: Beth, Jane, Zoe, Wendy, Debbie

Apologies: Rosie

- Matters arising: Wendy & Debbie explained that wrap-around care discussed at the last meeting may not be viable, in that school would struggle to staff before / after school care and had not received the interest from parents to make this financially viable. Wendy added that there were discussions on this subject taking place with other primary schools & States of Guernsey re: funding.
- Pre-school provision was also discussed: at present we expect 5 children to attend pre-school in September. Forum members were excited about pre-school re-opening.

Agenda items:

- School Governance: there was a press release this week on this subject. Governors will support & challenge school leadership. Steve Roberts & Ian Carter are already on the Governing Body but there will be nominations for a Community Governor (1st term back) and parent & staff Governors (2nd term back). There will be a training programme for these posts. There was also a 'drop-in' session about this at the Island Hall last week. Some staff members have already expressed an interest in becoming staff Governor.
- Behaviour curriculum: school have established a working party which meets weekly to discuss the establishment of a behaviour curriculum which will guide all staff (& pupils) about the correct behaviour expected in different areas of the school. This will be introduced not only to address misbehaviour but to tackle 'passive learners'. This will be piloted with the Juniors next term and parents will be informed about the Behaviour curriculum at a parents' evening in September – when it will be 'rolled out' to the whole school.
- HET / Holocaust Education Trust: Wendy discussed the investigation outcomes, led by Judge Pickles. Wendy attended Holocaust training in 2019 but remained cautious regarding what we should teach Alderney children on this subject. There will be guidance from HET & Guernsey on this issue based on the outcomes of the recent investigation.
- Dates / events: DD went through a list of events coming up next term.
- School promotion: School has been working with Cameron Cairnduff & the States of Alderney re: funding a promotional video (filming some of the events planned for the next term) for the school / island. It is hoped that it will encourage people to visit Alderney & will help attract & retain school staff.

AOB:

- Zoe was keen to learn about the structure of KS2 classes next year & suggested that we have a primary 'meet the teachers' meeting before the end of the Summer term. Wendy agreed that this would be arranged.

- Treasurer for PTA: Jane & Zoe agreed to share this role, the information is in a box in school – which DD will locate & pass on to them. Jane & Zoe also requested a ‘hand over’ from Ally Morgan – DD will let Ally know.