## MPA Parent Council Meeting

## 13 November 2020

YR	Y1	¥2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
No	Marty	Lisa	Emma	Gemma	Marella	Maddy
Rep	Oliver	Lee	Wilkinson	Black	Etheridge	Mayne

Item	Feedback			
Head Teacher Feedback	How is the new reading book system?			
	The new home reading system is effective and most parents are happy with this.			
	Development points – some children in Y3 are not having their books changed.			
	Y1 could the children have a book over the weekend?			
<b>Reception</b> 2 Positives 1 Development	No representative for Reception.			
Year 1 2 Positives	The home learning has been well received and the dinosaur theme is popular.			
1 Development	The school was thanked for its high level of communication during lockdown and since.			
	The parents and children are also enjoying the rewards that are part of the Good to be Green System.			
	Development Point The Y1 parents have different experiences at home. Some parents have tapestry which is excellent. The others don't and don't know as much about their child's learning. Can Tapestry be for all Y1? Miss Churchman to feedback to parents.			
Year 2	The reading system is working well.			
2 Positives 1 Development	The one-way system around the playground and queuing system combined with the staggered start/finish times is effective as there are less people milling about.			
	Communication is good, as are all the updates from the school.			

	The school is working hard to support the children and provide a sense of normality in the current climate. The children are all supported and happy. The Halloween themed day was amazing. We are grateful to the school for encouraging these sorts of activities at a time when so many events are cancelled or restricted. It's great that the school are focussing on mindfulness and wellbeing. All in all, very positive feedback and no concerns highlighted.
Year 3 2 Positives 1 Development	Parents praised the school for the amazing efforts from the school during lockdown. The children are loving Miss Markham. Parents wondered if they could wear non branded uniform as they are washing it every day. Miss Churchman confirmed this was acceptable, she noted whilst the school encourages the school logo, it is not compulsory. At this present time safety and financial matters for families are more important. The school is aware how hard it is financially for some families. <u>Development Point</u> Can we ensure parents do not gather outside the school? Miss Churchman advised parents are being encouraged to not do this, however, once off school property the school cannot enforce it.
<b>Year 4</b> 2 Positives 1 Development	The school has been incredibly supportive during lockdown. The parents are also pleased with how the children have been supported emotionally since their return to school. Miss Markham is very supportive and the children are enjoying her being their teacher after how unsettled last year was. They are really pleased with the drop off and collection arrangements and feel safe. Communication has been excellent.
<b>Year 5</b> 2 Positives 1 Development	Communication throughout lockdown was very good. Families really valued the calls home. Children are enjoying the rewards. The 10 good deeds were a great way to start the year.

	The spelling challenge is good. Can the parents know the results to support their children? The theme is fantastic and the children are learning a lot. <u>Development Point</u> Parents are concerned by the reported behaviour of some children in the class and the impact that this having. Miss Churchman invites the parents to raise the concerns with her directly and she will follow this up with parents.
Year 6 2 Positives 1 Development	Children very pleased to be back at school. Very happy after school sports clubs still able to happen. Thank you for organising the Halloween day, the children had fun and enjoyed dressing up or wearing home clothes. The pumpkin patch display looked great too. Y6 spellings - good to have the spellings sheet being sent home so parents can assist/keep track, in particular the key words to learn in addition is helpful. <u>Development Point</u> Regarding preparing for high school, do parents get to put a preference for friends once high schools have been announced? Some children have friends out of school they would like to put down as first choice. Just wondering if this will happen in good time. Miss Churchman confirmed that Miss Scrutton will ask the children who they would like to be in a form with. This information will be shared with the High School the children attend.
Date of Next Meeting	Thursday 10 December 2020 1.45pm