## MPA Parent Council Meeting

## 21 November 2024

YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Emily Mayhew	Victoria Hillier	No Rep	Nicola Chalk	Francesca Brand	Marty Oliver	No Rep

Apologies for Absence	None
Item	Feedback
	Feedback         Reception         Parents asked why there were not as many posts on tapestry recently? They really value the updates on their children.         Year 2         Girls are reporting it's hard to get the soap to wash their hands in the toilet.         Year 3         • Would it be possible to mix up after school clubs, eg. basketball, rugby, athletics?         • Also, parents have mentioned is there any possible way they can respond to trips on Arbor rather than having to print out and complete forms.         Many thanks for letting us have a voice. It means a lot         Year 4         We know this is not the school but the parking opposite the school is dangerous. We know that you ask parents not to park here regularly. What more can be done?         Year 6         The Pro-Strike fundraising made some families feel uncomfortable as they felt pressured to get money so their child could get prizes. Just something to consider.

Head Teacher	Feedback on the start and end of the day. What is working well and what could be improved?		
Head Teacher Feedback	<ul> <li>could be improved?</li> <li><u>Reception</u> All new, slightly more unsettled – maybe as new. When wet play – seemed easier as went straight in. Can gates open a little earlier, so not near the road. Not into class but clear the pathway. Speed of cars a concern. <u>Year 1</u> Mornings mainly – similar to reception comments especially Yr 1. Waiting around – some children can get more upset. No feedback re pick up – this works well. <u>Year 2</u> No Rep One email from a parent.</li></ul>		
	Year 3 Limited feedback Few children - prolonged goodbyes Question re weather – managed well this week Pick up – much better especially with siblings Year 4 Limited feedback. A little issue getting to school – driving (4 parents)		
	Clarify when parents can enter playground for pick-up. Next Friday Flyer. Year 5 Similar to Year 4. Parents unsure whether they should stay. Most drop and leave (20%). 5% wait on playground due to crowding on pathway. Year 6 No Rep		
<b>Reception</b> 2 Positives 1 Development	<ul> <li><u>2 Positives</u></li> <li>Communication – Tapestry. Updated with learning. Friday Flyer is great. Comms from office is great.</li> <li>Teaching/support team – AMAZING. Parents Evening shared stuff – knows the children.</li> <li><u>Development Point</u></li> </ul>		
Year 1	Are children drinking enough. Comes home with full water bottles. Especially in warmer weather.		
2 Positives 1 Development	<ul> <li>Speed of having Parents Evening in Year 1 was good – especially as change from EYFS. (Previous Parent Council change).</li> </ul>		

	Development Point
	<ul> <li>Clarification about individual awards. Can Class Teacher share this with parent at the end of the day. School to look into this.</li> </ul>
Year 2	No Representative
Year 3	2 Positives
2 Positives 1 Development	<ul> <li>Same class - single year groups. Class Teacher is great – bringing children out of their shell. Pro-active Parents Evening – separate pack per child.</li> <li>School trip Hands on Heritage – very popular – well received.</li> </ul>
	Development Point
	Why do some children get repeated opportunities eg. ECO? We discussed pupil passion and how we would not want to deter a child. eg. Last year a child wanted to source a renewable energy. All children get the chance to stand. All children vote.
Year 4	2 Positives
2 Positives 1 Development	<ul> <li>Mr Thorpe – Feedback during Parents Evening. Mr Thorpe positive impact on Maths. Positive feedback about Mrs Newton too.</li> <li>Excellent enjoyable trips. Children all talking about them to parents.</li> <li>A range of lunchtime clubs.</li> </ul>
	Development Point
	Similar to year 3 – representatives for various roles. Opportunity for all children. Premier Sports changed to 'childcare' and various clubs now not happening. The reasons for this were discussed.
Year 5	
2 Positives 1 Development	<ul> <li><u>2 Positives</u></li> <li>Informative Parents evening</li> <li>Having individual awards</li> <li>All well settled.</li> </ul>
	Development Point
	Opportunity to see all subject books, not all Maths/English. Afterschool clubs – missing other clubs previously on offer. Play options at playtime/lunchtime were discussed.

Year 6	No Representative	
	Shout out to Miss Scrutton.	
Date of Next Meeting	Spring Term	