



Notes from the Parents' Forum Meeting

Wednesday 23 January 2019

In attendance: One parent, Mrs Glaister and Mrs Thorpe

PSHER (Personal, Social, Health, Economic and Relationships) Curriculum Update

Mrs Glaister provided a summary of changes that have been made to the curriculum as dictated by the DFE and which have been adapted by SGPS to be rolled out over the coming weeks. The main changes are that the reproduction in human's element is now taught to the older year groups only. The statutory science curriculum teaches reproduction in animals to the younger years.

Many elements are incorporated in our daily MindUp sessions. There is also a stronger focus on earth friendly issues, which we cover with our eco based lessons. The Eco Warriors waste inspections were noted as being a good way to ensure everyone at SGPS is behaving in an eco-friendly manner.

The changes related specifically to the Year 3 curriculum were covered and information sessions on our PSHER curriculum will run for all parents in the summer term.

MindUp Workshop

The MindUp workshop and benefits of the programme were discussed. Unfortunately not all working parents could make afternoon and early evening meetings. The parent asked if there would be a presentation sent home. It is unlikely that this will happen due to copyright issues but at the workshop our MindUp consultant Uz mentioned a parent guide book, which she will be sending to Miss Bidwell for distribution at a future date.

ACTION: Mrs Thorpe will send the information to parents once it is received.

Communication

The methods of school communication were discussed and the various platforms used. It was noted that the school uses Twitter to provide updates when children are on school trips. If you are not registered on Twitter you can still view the school tweets by visiting the main school website.

The School A-Z document provides lots of really useful information for parents. Twitter, Facebook and WhatsApp are used by PTA and Class Reps. The daily message books provide an opportunity to communicate messages with teachers on a daily basis and can be found at the West and East Gates every morning. Class teacher email addresses can also be found on the school website.