Parent Forum

Tuesday 5th March 2019

Present: Mrs Marrs, Mr Thompson, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Hicks, Mrs Carlin, Miss Brett

Minutes: Mrs Hicks

Focus for discussion: Improving links between the community and the school.

Reception - Year 6:

No responses from any years from email.

Feedback from parent forum discussion:

Encouraged to form community relationships as a school.

Holding fayres on weekends instead of Fridays after school to involve the outer community, encourage passer-by's and local residents to attend. Encourage other village organisations to attend and represent the community such as the other local clubs, sports clubs, over 60s, women's institute, gardening club etc.... Mrs Marrs to put to FONS. Possibly a Summer Fayre. Involve outer community.

Links with local businesses to benefit both the school and them i.e. Moor Farm, The Bull.

Street Party – had never had any contact since Mrs Marrs arrived. To look into involving the school if it is organised again.

MacMillan coffee morning? Invite community in themselves in that way and ask them what they can do or want?

Previous years the community has been involved and given to the school but they possibly haven't been given much back. New Head, new approach and time to build bridges within the community. Organising events to involve community spirit and make the school a loved part of the community focusing on community rather than pure profit making. Getting people in

will therefore encourage a profit for the school/FONS overall but not expecting local business/clubs to give time for free without them getting something back for themselves.

Work it into curriculum. Approach the community clubs and ask for help, discussions within school during school time so not taking further resources or time, most local clubs love talking about their passion so would be eager to be involved. Community links been broken over the years but sure they would love to be involved. Gardening linked with Forest School, Women's Institute with baking, NEWDS/Create with Drama, The Band with Music, Karate School for stranger danger/anti bullying etc...

Other Topics for Discussion:

'The Daily Mile' addressed by parent email.

Sports Premium pays for service level agreement with AMVC, sports coaches and Forest School provision. Each class gets 2 hours of PE per week. Explore the possibility of doing this in break/lunchtime?

Brought up from Parent Forum:

New Legislation regarding same sex relationships in PSHE in primary schools from September. Statutory obligation — school governed by Law. Parents' views and parental involvement i.e. being told what is said to which year. Mrs Marrs directed Forum to the website which provides an overview of the PSHE Curriculum. Maybe a parent evening to share the resources which are used/answer questions.