**Havannah Parents Forum Meeting**

# Date: 16/03/16 Time: 3:15pm

**Present: Lucie Barnes, Andrina Jackson, Tracy Taylor, Danielle O’Gara, Amanda Irwin, Jemma Clack,**

**Lynn Horner, Suzanne Hayes, Helen Taylor**

# Apologies: Stef Williams

# Agenda:

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| **Item** | **Discussion** | **Actions** |
| **Termly report/New assessment system** | Are all parents of children in KS1 and KS2 aware of the new New assessment system in school?* See presentation on website following parents workshop.
* Any questions about the new system?
* Look at termly report due out next week with added report on objectives covered and your child’s achievement towards each of the year group objectives.
* Parents evening for Y2, 6 has already been done due to significant changes in Key Stage SAT’s tests. Year 1, 3, 4, 5 due after Easter.
 | Assessment update re reports and website.Stressed the high level of expectationswe would update about any changes |
| **School Meals** | * We have now implemented the changes to our school meals. We have held parent lunches for all year groups.
* Menus are sent home, children choose what they would like to eat each morning with their class teacher. Class teachers ensure any parental requests are selected. The children are given bands to ensure that they get their choice of meal. The children also now get unlimited juice, water, milk etc.
* There has been a suggestion to have just a roast dinner on Wednesday with no sub/spud option on this day.
* Any feedback welcome?
 | suggestions re token for dinners to encourage other choices, hence some children bring packed lunches. Soph gives bands before dinner. Suggestion re roast dinner for all reception, however final decision was to keep the same Parents agreed that it’s hard to please everyone and happy that Miss Slater will keep an eye on any child that a parent is concerned about re. dinners. Parents agreed that the dinners were much better. |
| **Uniform**  | * What do parents feel about school uniform? This was discussed at the last Forum meeting and it was suggested that perhaps we changed from a yellow t-shirt to white?

It was also suggested that we could have a shirt and tie? What do parents feel about this. * We have added the new sweat cardigans for girls and coats to our uniform which are really popular.
 | general consensus white shirtsGrey skirts and grey trousers.Blue yellow and white tiesKeep havannah cardigansBlue V neck logo jumper light Blue and white check summer dresses |

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| **Flexible arriving times** |  Feedback on flexible arrival? I | Very positiveParents happy that the children don’t have the opportunity to play and get dirty before school beginsStressed importance of teachers on doors and gates for safeguarding |
| **Social Media** |  A quick reminder to parents about the use of social media when discussing school issues. We would like to encourage all parents to always come and see us about any concerns they have relating to issues in school rather than discuss them on social media as we can’t comment as a school and therefore can’t try to resolve the issue. We do not want social media to create a barrier with parental communication. We pride ourselves in having good relationships with our parents and want this to continue to be the case.  | Soph stressed re communication both neg and personal Stressed positive aspect of school being a very approachable school and we want to work with parents.  |
| **Outdoor area** | The PTA are looking to use some of the monies raised from the Christmas Fayre to provide a new piece of play equipment on the playground e.g. climbing frame. Any other suggestions or ideas? |  Left with the parents |
| **AOB?** | We will now send a text each Friday pm to remind parents about the newsletter. Soph asked parents re helping to develop areas possibly weekends etc. Parents thought worth asking in school newsletter.  |  |

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