

Bunbury Aldersey Primary School Parent Council

Meeting Agenda

18th June 4pm - Teams

Update and Address of Agenda Items from Mrs Badger-

- Staff structure for 2024/25 confirmed
- Curriculum update- Pathways to write going well, children and staff really engaged but probably needs a couple of years to see impact.
- Trips will be planned out carefully bearing in mind the cost to parents. Plan is to share the trips and costs each year in September. Mrs Badger said trips need to fit into curriculum. The agenda item raised regarding a local trip to Bunbury Mill was discussed. Mrs Badger responded that this would be considered as part of the review of trips and the curriculum and if it fit into the curriculum.
- Parking – letter and news to come out regarding new car park plans. Costings of between £40,000 and £85,000 have been received which are prohibitive given school budgets so external sponsorship and fundraising will be required, with potential that school car park could also be used as village car park.

It was suggested parents could consider parking and walking from the playing field. It was also asked whether this was an option for staff but Mrs Badger raised concerns of for staff wellbeing (carrying bags of marking/resources) mean it is not practical.

- Newsletter- Mrs Badger is happy to restructure into new and repeated information/news so that there doesn't seem to be an overwhelming amount of information
- Behaviour policy update - positive policy around 3 words – safe, kind and respectful-easier for children to understand, children dealt with consistently, staff find it better to respond to children using the 3 words, school believe that all adults including the parents need to be the role models for this-especially respect
- Childhood smartphone free movement -Mrs Badger is very keen on actively promoting this and is willing to send out a letter – a group of people supporting this would be better to create better/less peer pressure.
- Breakfast Club – request for 7.30am (rather than 7.45am start) – Mrs Badger responded that an earlier start could be considered but first steps are to survey parents and gauge costing for this.
- Sports Day – generally positive feedback for the new KS2 format of moving children through different activities on the field and ending with races. Staff feedback also that the new format was more manageable. Whilst the children competed in coloured houses so siblings would be together some parents feedback that their children ended up in two separate house groups – Mrs Badger will change this next year.

Also noted request to either provide bids and have second hand sale for less common coloured t-shirts e.g. yellow team.

- Sports and tournaments – raised that some children are consistently not invited to participate. Mrs Badger responded that children not being included is always fed back to Mr Friel – Mrs B reminded that all children are invited to participate in cross country.

Following points of praise fed back as below, including particular praise for all TAs AND teachers and the level of care they show.

- YR -Lots of positives – parents appreciate the wonderful staff and are expressing lots of thanks for the work they do. Children are really enjoying their learning.
- Y1-Lot of praise for Miss Cork she helps the children settle and feel really welcome. Reading, writing and phonics have improved under her teaching.
- Y2- Lots of praise for the new teacher – very kind and approachable and children are giving positive feedback about lessons and learning to parents. Parents feel more positive.
- Y5 – praise for the enrichment activities in school.
- Y6 – praise for how happy and relaxed the children felt during SATs week. They especially enjoyed the water fight and croissants.