



# ALL WELCOME

## Parents' Forum

### 6 April 2017



➤ Welcome

Mrs Qureshi welcomed everyone. Preference for the timing of future meetings was discussed, with the majority wanting morning meetings, starting at 9.00 am.

➤ School Budget

Mrs Qureshi gave an overview about the current school structure and funding, together with the possible implications of the funding changes, which will be introduced from April 2018. Early indication is that all Kirklees schools will receive a substantial reduction in their budgets.

➤ School Trips

Mrs Darby gave a presentation on the cost of school trips for 2016-17, which highlighted the estimated cost being £14,900 (excluding residential trips). Parent's payments account for £6,800 with the school contributing the rest.

Parents were advised that the school will not be able to continue subsidising trips by this amount in future years.

➤ School Dinners

Attendance at the recent taster sessions was excellent and feedback was positive, the number of pupils having school dinners has since increased. The summer menu is now being used, which will continue to July.

➤ Fund Raising

Ideas for future funding raising events were requested, which included:-

- Three course meal (for mums), which would be cooked by the school catering section and served in the school hall. The group voted to charge £10 per head.
- Cake Day - including competition, auction and cake sale.

➤ New School Library - Parents Section

Drawings of the new library area were circulated. Mrs Qureshi confirmed that a 'parental section' would be available and circulated books which parents would be able to borrow. This will be completed after the Easter break.

- Any other Business included:-
  
- Mrs Patel and Mrs Majid requested volunteers to form a working party. Enthusiasm and a regular commitment being the only requirements. The group will meet once per month in the Community Building and will look into funding opportunities etc.
  
- Courses: First Aid, Teaching Assistant course  
Kirklees College are offering two courses for parents (free of charge):-  
Crochet & Knitting - starting 24 April 2017 - 4 weeks  
Healthy Eating for Ramadan - starting 28 April 2017 - 5 weeks
  
- Places are still available for both courses.
  
- What do you want from the Parents Forum?  
Post-it notes were circulated and ideas about what parents wanted the Forum to achieve, were requested. Mrs Qureshi will analyse the responses.