

## Parents'/Carers' Forum Agenda

<b>Date</b> 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	<b>Time</b> 9am
<b>Chair</b> Rebecca Crist	<b>Location</b> K S 1 Hall

<u>Items to be discussed</u>
<b>1. Welcome</b> – Apologies to be noted
<b>2. STAR Sessions</b> – The Stay and Read sessions; the children are enjoying sharing a book with their adult for this half hour. We have now had two sessions per year group and are having another this half term. How do we feel as parents/carers about the sessions? Feedback please?
<b>3. Parent/Carer Courses</b> - We are responding to requests for courses and workshops. <b>Maths</b> course, was held in the Autumn term and initial interest was very promising, but the actual uptake of places on the course was very low. We had requests to hold a Maths course by parents/carers who were wanting to support their child's learning and so would like the Forum's ideas and views on how best to improve attendance to courses. <b>EAL</b> course begins 15 <sup>th</sup> January and we hope the initial interest translates into course numbers. This is a 6 week course to help parents/carers who are uncertain of the system in British schools and how to support their children.
<b>4. Newsletters</b> - Half termly newsletters are now being posted on the website instead of the paper copies being sent home. This not only is an eco issue in saving paper, but also a response to parents/carers comments that they were not receiving paper copies which should have been brought home by their child. Are parents/carers now able to read the newsletters?
<b>5. Litter Pick Ups</b> - We have held a couple of these Pick Ups on Friday mornings. The Year 6 pupils have been very keen in improving their environment and are eager to put on the gloves, hold the bags and eagerly scour the pavement with a pick up grabber stick, gathering up the rubbish in front of SMA and the side path up to the Nursery. The improvement has been noticeable and passer- bys are pleased to see our pupils taking pride in the neighbourhood. They have passed comment on how wonderful SMA pupils are to be doing the job! Our next Litter Pick Up is Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> January at 9.10am for about half an hour and we would welcome support. All gloves and pick up sticks are provided.
<b>8. Any other business</b> – Home School Agreement is being looked over and should be ready soon.
<b>Dates for diaries</b> - Next meeting will be Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March