

## Parent/Carer Forum Minutes

<b>Date</b> 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	<b>Time</b> 9am
<b>Chair</b> Rebecca Crist	
<b>Apologies:</b> Claire Phillips, Amanda Lee and Tom Walker	

<u>Items discussed</u>
<p><b>1. Welcome</b> – Apologies noted. Welcome to a new member Lisa Polhill and Phil Clarke from Hate Crime project</p>
<p><b>2. Accident outside of school</b> - We are awaiting the Police report into the recent road traffic accident outside school, in which one of our Reception pupils was involved. Luckily the child was not badly injured, but was taken to Alder Hey to be checked over. We discussed how the traffic situation outside school is an extremely serious issue. The parking at drop of and pick up times was highlighted as something which is causing dangerous parking and blocking of the pavements. It was acknowledged the efforts of Mrs Burrows and Mrs Byrne in trying to encourage considerate parking. It was asked if we could highlight the Park and Walk along the road, to see if this would alleviate some of the problems. It was also discussed if school could promote a Walk to School campaign again to try and reduce the number of vehicles.</p> <p>Ideas were suggested to improve the situation, such as bollards along the edge of the pavements to make parking up on the pavement difficult. Ramps on Lower Breck Road were mentioned as a way of slowing drivers as they approach the school. Also mentioned was highlighting the 20mph signage and reinstating the Slow Down for Bobby signage which has been covered. Another initiative of an additional crossing being put in further along the road, opposite the chip shop. This idea was suggested as a way of slowing traffic approaching school. Another idea was the re introduction of the Lollipop person on the crossing.</p> <p>The Liverpool City Council Road Safety Team has been contacted and once the Police report is complete, our ideas will be discussed with them.</p>
<p><b>3. Parent/Carer Courses</b> –</p> <p><b>Maths</b> Miss King has been approached and a workshop for Y5 and Y6 parents/carers was discussed and it is hoped to hold a session very soon.</p> <p><b>EAL</b> – This course was well received and parents/carers who attended enjoyed the sessions. This has led to us holding an</p> <p><b>ESOL</b>- (English for Speakers of Other Languages) course. We are having an initial coffee afternoon on 26<sup>th</sup> March so that EAL parents/carers can meet the tutor and sign up for this very interesting course. The course will start on the 30<sup>th</sup> April and will run for 10 weeks covering a range of language topics, ie using English for work, communicating with school, housing etc. Forum members were asked if they could think of anyone who may be interested to let them know about the course dates.</p>
<p><b>4. Our Liverpool</b> – We were introduced to Phil Clarke of the Hate Crime project. He introduced the project and explained the support in place for people moving into the area who are unaware of the support they can receive, such as housing support, well being and mental health support, rough sleeping support, support to learn English. He explained the ethos of the project is to help understanding of when communities change this creates pressures on all areas and people. He told us of celebrating successes too. He is going to hand out flyers at the school gates to highlight how as a community we can raise awareness of the issues and report incidents and create a neighbourly attitude of looking out for our community. He left us with some leaflets to look at about the project.</p>
<p><b>5. Litter Pick Ups</b> - Dog Mess -Discussion about dog mess outside school and along by the Ambulance Station was raised and it was agreed that we would handout dog mess bags</p>

at our next Litter Pick session on the 29<sup>th</sup> March. We will again contact the Council about the situation and will talk about the issue in class, so as to highlight it to children and their parents/carers.

Our next Litter Pick Up is **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March** at 9.10am for about half an hour and we would welcome support. All gloves and pick up sticks are provided.

**Any Other Business –**

**Handwashing** Concern was raised about the children not being reminded to wash their hands/ use antibacterial gel, regularly before meal times. Further assurances were made that this will be raised with staff so as to reduce illness and infections. This has been actioned already.

**Date for diaries:** Next meeting will be **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2019.**

**Litter Pick Up: Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March** 9.10am for 30 mins.