

### **2.2.18 2pm Parent forum minutes:**

#### **Present:**

Mrs Denmark  
Mrs Burley  
Mrs Diggins  
Mrs Downing  
Mrs Bowers  
Mrs Fradd  
Mrs Gurney

#### **Sports Day**

Mrs Burley: Sports day – format of the day, families with young children sitting for a long time. Could we do activity rotations instead?

LG: LG explained we have the rotations in the morning.

Mrs Downing: Could we break up the races with interactive races for toddlers, midway through.

Mrs Burley: If we got a gazebo set up for spectators with young children, that would help avoid sunstroke

#### **PE**

Mrs Burley: Can chn try the sports they will be doing at secondary school and be more prepared for external PE events using the Sports Extra staff?

JF: We can organise release time for the PE Lead and Sports Extra to map out provision.

Mrs Denmark: Have we got a national award?

LG: We have a Sainsbury's Silver Award

Mrs Burley: Will Hockey club continue after Mrs Magness has left?

LG: I will look into it and get back to parent forum.

#### **Homework:**

Mrs Diggins: Do we have a unified approach to homework policy with Great Chesterford?

LG: We are working collaboratively to share best practice but we are not carbon copies of each other. Our approach to homework is based on the impact of homework.

Mrs Denmark: We are disappointed with the lack of feedback on homework in some class classes.

#### **School trips**

Mrs Burley: Do all classes go on school trips? Current year 3s have not been on one for 2 years.

Mrs Downing: Could we organise social between the year 6s from Great Chesterford and Debden prior to residential trip.

### **Spellings**

Mrs Bowers: We are not having spellings sent home, so we find it hard to make our children work.

LG: LG explained the teaching of spellings in school via lessons and the lack of impact spellings being sent home.

Mrs Diggins: GSCEs have a requirement for spellings across all subjects so we need to know that it is being tackled in school.

LG: Please be reassured that spellings are being taught in school, even though they are not necessarily being sent home to be practised through rote as children will not remember spellings taught this way.

The meeting closed at 3pm