



Parents' Forum Meeting Minutes

Friday 10th March 2017

4.00pm

In Attendance: Mrs Hutley, Mrs Wilkins, Mr Browne, Mrs Browne, Mr Lightwood, Mrs De Silva

Apologies: Mrs Orpen, Mrs Thorncraft Smith, Ms Sladen, Mrs Birchall, Miss Littlewood

1. Uniform - Blazers

PH discussed our tightening up on uniform across the school. Recently PH has been reinforcing the uniform requirements with pupils across the Senior School, fining those who do not comply. Skirts from the Second Hand Uniform Shop have been loaned out to girls whose skirts are too short.

Blazers must always be in school and worn throughout the day unless permission is granted by a member of staff to remove them. Removal is likely within practical lessons and during warmer weather however pupils must not do so without staff permission. As stated in our school rules, 'Between Easter and October half term it should be worn when travelling to and from school'. At other times, coats can be worn travelling to and from school however must not be worn throughout the school day.

2. School Research

We have a 'History of Hollygirt School' book which was published around 1977 to commemorate 100 years of the school. We would now like to extend this and include the past 40 years with a new book. The plan would be to retype, modernise and extend. The group were questioned if they would purchase such a book. With a RRP of around £10 it is believed that alumnus would buy it as well as pupils/parents especially if during their final years and approaching the end of their time with us.

We will be employing a researcher to go through archive material to extend the information we already publicly know. PH would be keen to include information on the purchasing of buildings and the changes in room use. It may be that the researcher would have a team of volunteers working alongside once they know where the gaps are. Could possibly have an advert or two within the book to help fund this.

3. AOB

Following on from the last meeting, Mr Browne will pursue contact with local scout leader to provide social media training to parents.

PH to action possible mental health awareness meeting with parents.

We have recently launched a promotional video of the school which is currently on our social media and will be embedded in our website. This is available to view here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1mTfbc_6O88

It was questioned why there are not many trips for Year 7. PH advised that there are trips for all year groups which are well balanced and planned carefully being mindful of the curriculum.

Many thanks to Mrs Browne who brought along some delicious homemade cakes!

4. Next Meeting

The next Parents' Forum Meeting will be held on Friday 28th April at 4.00pm.