

Nanpean Community Primary School



Parents Forum meeting

Topics: <i>Equality Policy and Objectives</i> <i>Attendance Policy and Strategy</i> <i>Maths Policy and appendixes</i> AOB	Attendance: Mr Nicholls (Headteacher) + 1 parent.	Date: 31/1/2024 at 2.45pm.
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Notes of meeting	Action
Last meeting - actions MN to add parental views to relevant policies (Equality Policy and Attendance Strategy)	✓
1) Equality Policy and Objectives MN explained that Governors are in the process of writing a three year strategy related to Equality. MN explained that they have written a draft, but now would like staff, parent and children's views. These will be collated this term or early in the Spring Term. MN showed the objectives to parents. Parents stated that this made sense and couldn't add any further suggestions to this Policy. MN did say that it would go to Governors for full approval at the end of January, so if there were any further suggestions once they had more time to think about and consider this, to please let myself (MN, Headteacher) know.	
2) Attendance (Policy and Strategy) MN explained that TPAT have now written an attendance strategy and policy for schools to use. MN explained that this is currently at consultation stage (with staff and other stakeholders) and that schools will need to add their own details in certain places within the policy to make it relevant to the school. MN expects this to be done and shared with parents in the Spring Term and implemented for the Summer Term. MN explained that the policy is detailed, and clearly states expectations on school staff for supporting attendance. MN asked parents their views on attendance. MN asked parents if they knew the National Expectation (96%), and what this equates to. Parents did know this and said that their children attend school, but they did realise (and gave examples of family members at other schools) that school attendance doesn't seem as important to many parents nowadays. Covid-19 was discussed as a factor. MN said that this is common across the country, but that as a school, we are doing all we can to ensure high attendance. We are also currently above the local and national average for attendance which is pleasing.	
3) Maths Policy and related documents MN explained that Mr Prince has updated the Maths Policy and related documents. This is due for a final check by staff at staff meeting this evening, then will go to Governors at their meeting next week for formal approval. It will then be shared with parents (and children) after half term (March 2024). Asked about resources and support. MN talked about Mastering Number for example. A parent mentioned RWI Phonics and how good this is but how it is different from how she learnt at school. MN explained that this is the case and that generally, the children know how they are being taught so can help parents to support them!	MN to consider further parent information sessions
4) AOB Discussed charity days. A parent said that previously school had asked for money on various occasions, often in close proximity. The parent explained	MN to ensure School Council set

that this wasn't their personal view, but something they had heard. MN explained how he now asks all children (in the whole school) to vote for various things, through our weekly smart school council initiative. MN explained that often now we are trying to donate towards 'wishlists' for local charities. The parent seemed positive about this idea. MN emphasised that we are trying to focus on one charity per half term as we know the financial climate is difficult for people / families.	appropriate (time related and request related) charity support days
Date of next meeting: 9am on Friday 15th March, 2024.	