

Parent Forum

Thursday 27th June 2019

Staff Present

Deborah Howard- Headteacher

Ellie Linton- Communications & Marketing Manager

Format

At the start of the forum we asked parents to write answers to the following questions on post-it notes and put them on big pieces of paper:

What do you want to share?

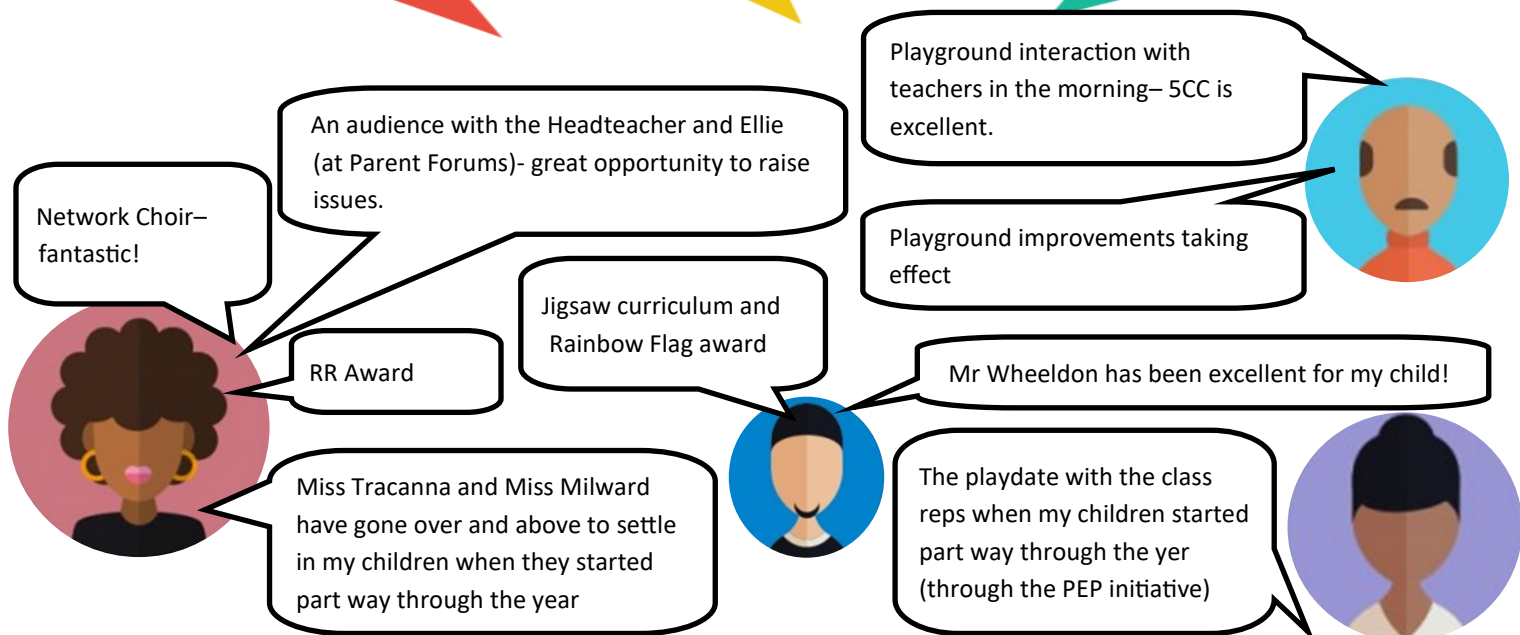
What do you want to ask/raise?

What's going well/highlights?

The answers that parents submitted were then used to structure the discussion at the forum. Some parents emailed their discussion points in advance as they were unable to attend the meeting. These were all raised and noted during the forum.

We also had a separate piece of paper called the 'carpark', which parents could add post-it notes to throughout the forum so that these items could be addressed at the end of the meeting.

What's going well/highlights



You said

"Any plans to mix up classes?"

"Is it possible for General Data Protection consent to include school photos next year? Would be more efficient for parents and staff."

"Requests for parent helpers for visits has been difficult to deal with. Need different approach."

"Recycling Hub- could be a joint PTA and school activity? Eg. ink cartridges, bras, makeup, batteries"

"I've heard there is an issue with the temperature of new build in summer and winter."

"Can there be a new parents pack that has info on things like end of term reports etc?"

"Can we look into getting bollards on corner of Newport and Longford Road?"

We did

DH confirmed that there are no plans to mix up classes. This is only ever done from Reception to Year 1 if staff feel it necessary, and this is always communicated with parents as early as possible. This will not be happening this year.

EL confirmed that this has been added to the GDPR consent sheets, which will be sent out to all parents with the end of term reports, so there will be no need to sign a separate form next year for the class photos.

EL to start adding on to letters for trips to confirm in advance how many helpers we need for the trip. School will then confirm on a particular day in advance of the trip (eg. one week before), which parents have been selected to go on the trip.

Parent that raised this agreed to send EL the link to the initiative so that we can look into whether this would be possible for school.

Fans are available for all classes that feel they need one in the summer. We will be monitoring the temperature of the classrooms over the winter to make sure any issues are addressed as quickly as possible.

EL has designed a new prospectus, which will be given out to all new children starting part way through the year. We have also put together new prospectuses for our Nursery and Reception children, which were given out at the welcome meetings in the summer term.

EL to contact local councillors to see if this would be possible or is already being planned.