



## Alfreton Park Parent/Carer Group

Meeting Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2019

### In Attendance

Cheryl Smart, Sharon Walker, Carla Higgins, Joanne Palmer, Susan Eason, Andrea Thomas. Rebecca Dallman (Business Manager)

### Apologies for absence

Rachel Spray, Lucy Sarna.

Minutes From last meeting agreed by the group present for being true previous meeting

### Agenda

- Actions from previous meeting
- Home/School diary audit
- New school build
- AOB

### Actions from Previous meeting:

Rachel to create an events calendar on social media for upcoming school events and post information on the parent/carers page. **Ongoing**

Admins of the Parent /Carer Social Media Group will upload any generic letters about events taking place within school excluding class activities because these are unknown. **Completed/Ongoing**

Carla and Rachel (Parent Governors) to complete a learning walk about parents not receiving letters etc **Completed**

Andrea to investigate coffee morning and possible grant applications for funding for activities out of school. **Ongoing**

Cheryl to talk with the business manager about tree survey and Tracy Cross about Volunteers opportunities. **Completed**

Group to investigate genesis for any future fundraising events. **Ongoing**

### Home school diary audit

The audit went really well, few areas have been highlighted and Cheryl is addressing these issues with staff to try and find a decent solution, but in general the classes have a good system in place but time is the biggest factor and staff are aware of this. Rebecca Dallman explained that we could look into using parent

pay to enhance some communication but letters home still seem to be the best option. Possible writing pupils initials on the letter might help staff know who has received them and who hasn't.

The group felt Elf day hadn't been advertised enough and some parents were not aware of it at all especially ones not on social media.

### **New Build**

Rebecca joined us to update us on the new school build and explained that the contractors have been shortlisted to 6 now and hopefully by March 2020 a decision will have been made on the successful contractor with a possible building start date of May 2020. Group was very positive about this news and Rebecca thanked Cheryl for all her hard work that's gone into the project so far and the group second that and also wanted to thank everyone that's been involved in the entire project, we are all extremely grateful.

Various grants have been successful for equipment internally and externally for the new school, but more grants are still being applied for and will be on going.

Amber Valley Rotary Club have raised 55k for outdoor gym equipment for the new school.

### **AOB**

One parent has organised a parent/carer Christmas night out locally at Alfreton hall and a few parents will be out spreading the Christmas cheer. Same parent has also organised a Family day in the school break on 30<sup>th</sup> of December 2019 to Lea green soft play and its proving to be very successful with 14 families taking up the offer, the group would like to take this opportunity to thank the parent for all her work gone in to organising these events and look forward to any more events in the future,

Parent group on social media is working well and information is being uploaded as and when.

Tree that was bought up in previous meeting was safe on the last tree survey.

Volunteer letters went out to parents and couple of parents have been helping within classes when required.

### **Actions**

- Cheryl to address home school diary audit with staff and look into possible experimental solutions.
- Parents and Carers to continue to support each other with organising events during school holidays and posting on social media support group.

**Merry Christmas to everyone From the Parent/Carer Group**

Next Meeting

(Subject to change if required)