



Parent Forum minutes 1 December 2016

1. Welcome: Naomi Walker

2. Matters arising:

Parent forum chair: Mrs English was welcomed as the new chair of parent forum.

ASA bank account: is being resolved & accounts will be closed shortly.

Reports: To be discussed

3. Headteacher's report:

- The new windows are all finished.
- The school is in the process of recruiting for some posts. There will be some staff leaving at the end of term.
- There are a number of Christmas events coming up including the Christmas concert on Thursday 15 December, the band will be playing at Luton Airport, and a music & dance roadshow will be visiting a number of primary schools.
- Upper school prizegiving will be taking place on Tuesday 20 December.
- Performance measures: Mr Martin spent some time explaining the new progress measure of Attainment 8 and progress 8 and what they mean.

4. Reports:

- The new layout and wording of the reports was explained. The new assessment enables an 'all through' grading approach starting from Key Stage 3 all the way through to the end of Key Stage 4. The aim being that progress will be able to be seen over time.
- The previous 2 sets of grades will be added to the next reports so progress can be seen.
- Staff will be spending time going through the new assessment criteria with students to ensure they understand it.
- Other exemplar reports were discussed, but forum were happy to stay with the current format.

5. Student forum feedback:

- Elections have taken place, and 2 house assemblies have been held.
- There will be a non-school uniform day on the last day of term to raise money for Great Ormand Street Hospital.
- In addition houses are creating house hampers for DEN's by collecting items for their emergency appeal. Items to be delivered to student services.