

Minutes from Parents Forum Meeting held on the 25th September 2013

Attended-

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AY discussed the curriculum changes coming in and the current work the school we doing in preparing for these changes. A part of this work will be to collect the views of parents and carers on what skills there children should have when they leave our school.

Parents opinions, what skills do your children need from school?

- understanding diversity and difference, religion, culture, disability
- suggested school link with an inner city school Amy Sykes to contact school in Bristol
- possible school swop suggested
- importance of handwriting, helping spelling and hand eye co-ordination
- social skills communication
- children being able to have self- expression
- independence, ability to carry out tasks with own initiative
- foreign languages

How can we improve the playground space of the school?

Children's Council gave a tour of the grounds and put forward their ideas.

- more benches for eating outside in the summer
- running track
- slide
- adventure equipment for older children
- outdoor tuck-shop to be run by Owls
- a calm space by the willow tunnels
- wildlife area
- fire pit

Other suggestions from Parents Forum

- take down the fence around the concrete area to open the space up for more play
- make the pavilion more accessible and used, put doors at the back that can be opened towards concrete play area.
- Extend the roof to make more shelter
- surface area around play areas to be made all weather friendly, woodchip or some other material
- garden areas need a clear up, ground-force day?