

Visit to Home Farm School-22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> October2015.

My first visit was to the Parents' Forum on 22<sup>nd</sup> October. It was a long time since I had been to a Parents' Forum. The last time, there had been about six parents, this time, there were at least two parents from each year group and some new parents from Reception who had been given an open invitation to attend.

Mr Potter welcomed all parents. He addressed the issues from the previous meeting and then bravely opened the meeting to parents.

The main issues raised were Phonics, Home School Agreement, Letters sent home, Green Cards for Homework and Variations in Homework.

Very little time was left for appreciating our Ashden Award---for achievements in relation to sustainable energy.

Mr Potter also presented the format of the new, Termly, Pupil Report. It all seems very succinct, but one parent criticised the format.

Mr Potter has addressed the above parental concerns in subsequent Newsletters.

The next day, I was delighted to attend the year 4 Assembly, for their Residential Visit to Burwell. It had clearly been a positive experience, with many activities and responsibility for keeping rooms tidy.

I was so impressed with the enthusiasm of the presentation at the assembly and the clarity of the voice production (without microphone!)---the best I have heard in years!!

Congratulations to Year 4 and Class Teacher.

Finally, it was a joy to represent the Governing Body---"on the gate" for the Firework Display. I always enjoy welcoming parents, pupils, former pupils, staff, governors and neighbours. It was a highly successful, spectacular evening, with no more than a cut finger----to our joy and disappointment of the medics!!!!

Our thanks to all involved in the arrangements for the evening.

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