

Biggleswade Academy - Pupil Forum - 09/10/2024

Each term, the school has a Parent Forum, a Staff Forum and each half term a Pupil Form, to continue to build the partnerships with all Stakeholders of the school.

The Forums are not a decision making groups but a chance for parents/ carers, staff and pupils to share ideas for improvement and ask any questions.

Issues Raised	Discussion	Any Actions
Drop off arrangements	Some parents would like to drop their children off at the classroom door, so they know they have arrived and pass any messages to the class teacher. Unfortunately, with the need to Safeguard all children within the school site this is not possible. Class Charts can be used to send any notes to teachers.	
Homework club	The school has changed the completion of homework to something encouraged by awarding positives, but if it is not completed, there won't be a consequence to the pupil,	
The Smartphone Free Childhood campaign	In other areas of the UK, parent action groups have played a part in communicating messages about delaying the purchase of smart phones for young children, currently there is no government or Ofsted recommended guidance. The school will share information of the group to support parents but is unable to give guidance on the appropriate age for the purchase of phones for children	

Communication channels - class charts, emails, notes in bags, Tapestry (for Early Years) and homework assignments	Depending on the type of communication, the school does have different communication channels.	When sending information on ParentMail, the school will send all non urgent communications on Friday, so parents have the time to review everything.
Sugar puddings every day - setting expectation	The request for more healthy options were discussed.	Mr Steer to speak to kitchen so more healthier options are made available.