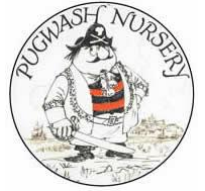




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Tuesday, 22nd February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I have had feedback from teachers to advise me that in many classes we have only had a few parents respond to the invitation to book parent evening appointments. Obviously, this is disappointing as the teachers would love to be able to share your child's learning with you.

I have also produced a research, evidence based rationale overleaf to further support the school's desire for you to engage with the parent evening process.

As a school, we would like to ensure that we are continually improving our communications with parents and this is a key way the school would like to communicate with you. However, as you all appreciate, communication has to be two-way and we would love for you to be able to join us this week for your parent's evening. We will be following up with phone calls to all parents, if you have not already booked an appointment.

If you are having difficulty using the online system, then please either contact the school office or your class teacher through Class Dojo and they will be happy to make an appointment for you.

As always, if you have any comments or suggestions as to how we can improve parent evenings to make them easier to attend, then please feel free to email your suggestions in to office@ryeprimary.co.uk

Thank you so much to all of you who have already booked an appointment. We are so grateful for your support.

Whilst on the topic of parental engagement, we are thrilled to be able to have parent volunteers back in school once again. If you would like to be involved in this area of school life, then again please contact the school office and we can arrange for the volunteer process to begin.

We will soon be sending home new reading records and are asking all families to commit to reading as often as possible at home and ensuring that the reading record is in school every day. Can we please ask you to also ensure that you are returning your child's reading books. We are regularly investing lots of money into buying new books and it is really disheartening to never see the books again once they have gone home. Currently, we are trialling the allocation of our new phonics books through an online system to reduce the amount spent on sending new phonic books home, in many cases never to return. Over the last few years we have spent thousands on new books as part of our reading schemes, reading passport books and library books and a large proportion of this has been spent replacing books which have not been returned. We want to be in a position where we can continually offer the latest children's best sellers etc, please help us to continue to be able to do this, by remembering to return your child's books.

Please see your child's class teacher if you need assistance accessing these books. We would again, appreciate your feedback as to whether you prefer the online books; some parents have expressed that unlike me, they prefer the online book as they no longer worry about losing the book! I am sure some of you though, like me, will prefer a real book! Hopefully, in the future we may be able to run a hybrid model with both.

With very best wishes,

Miss K Martin

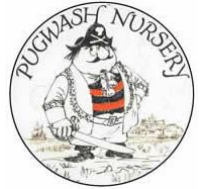
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Attending parent evenings shows your child that you care about their learning journey, their achievements and their areas for development.

Reasons why attending a parent's evening is a good way to spend your time...

The Education Endowment Foundation's research suggests that parental engagement, on average, gives pupils an additional four months of progress in primary school and two months of progress in secondary school per year.

An opportunity to ask questions ... about anything...

An invitation to look at your child's books and an opportunity to find out what they really do at school!



Help the school to learn more about your child, you know your child best and you can help your child by sharing information with the school.

teacher + parent
a child's STRONGEST advocate

A chance to learn about the work being taught in school and how you can help your child at home.