

Minutes of Meeting of Parent Forum held at
Finberry Primary School
3.30pm 28th January 2021

Item No.	Item	Minutes	Action Points	Action by Who
	Meeting opened at 1.30pm Present:	Ms Schâringer, Head Teacher Minutes taken by Mrs Risley, Deputy Head Teacher Parent Forum Members present:- Mrs. B Mrs. C Mrs. H		
1	Welcome	Ms S: I really appreciate that you have joined us this afternoon. Thank you.		
2	Apologies for absence	Mrs. P Mrs. B Mrs. L		
3	Minutes of previous meeting	Previous minutes agreed. No outstanding actions.		
4	Matters arising from previous minutes	Ms S: I have had other parents who have expressed an interest in joining the parent forum. If you also hear of any other parents it would be great for them to be invited.	To let the school office or Ms Schâringer know if there are	Parent Forum Members

			other parents interested in joining the Parent Forum.	
5	Parent feedback regarding Finberry's Attendance Policy	<p>Attendance Policy shared prior to the meeting.</p> <p>Feedback emailed in and shared at the Parent Forum meeting:-</p> <p>Mrs. P - acceptable reasons for exceptional circumstances for attendance, should include medical appointments that are unavoidable and hospital visits.</p> <p>Mrs. L- I read the attendance policy and I absolutely agree that children should not be taken on holidays during term times.</p> <p>Ms S: Is there further feedback or ideas you would like to share at this meeting?</p> <p>Mrs. H- I have really enjoyed the letters from the CEO recently, they have been very friendly and warm. The attendance policy didn't have this feel, it was almost like we were being told off when reading it. Is there any way that we can change the tone of the policy.</p> <p>Mrs. C- I agree with the feedback about the CEO's letters. I also feel that there should be a policy that better suits the current situation. There is never going to be a time where you will be inviting a child in if there is a family member unwell. I feel that there should be a caveat</p>		

		<p>to the policies that outlines ‘within the current situation’. I feel that it is pointless looking at this policy as it is not relevant at all. If the academy’s view is to put this out to consultation then people will be able to reflect upon the points that are not valid.</p> <p>Ms S: Thank you for your feedback. The policy reflects statutory and KCC elements that need to be represented. Thank you for your ideas about the tone of the policy and having an addendum to reflect the current situation with the pandemic, I will feed these back to the board.</p>	<p>Feedback from Parent Forum to be given to Board of Directors.</p>	<p>Ms Schâringer</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>Any other urgent business</p>	<p>Ms S: are there other policies that I can take back to the Board that you would like the chance to discuss in this forum.</p> <p>Mrs. C: I can’t think of any policies at the moment. I think that it is important that we get to discuss things that are relevant at the time.</p> <p>Mrs H: I’m not sure what the policies are.</p> <p>Mrs.B: Could we have a list of all of the policies?</p> <p>Ms S: Of course, some of our policies are on the school website and I will send out a list. Are there any other areas that you would like to discuss?</p> <p>Mrs. B: What are the incentives for the children to have 100% attendance?</p> <p>Ms S: We aim to support good attendance through the high quality of teaching and learning. In the past we have also tried a variety of different incentives, pencils, and certificates, but have found they</p>	<p>To share a list of policies with the Parent Forum</p> <p>To consider other policies the Parent Forum may like to feedback on.</p>	<p>Ms Schâringer</p> <p>Parent Forum Members</p>

		<p>Mrs R: Thank you very much. I was little nervous but it was lovely to be teaching again, even if it was virtual.</p> <p>Ms S: Thank you for all your feedback. Are there any other points anyone would like to raise?</p> <p>Mrs C: queried marking of work.</p> <p>Ms S: There may have been a delay where the teacher has been unwell. I do apologise and will look into this. Is there anything else that anyone would like to raise?</p> <p>Nothing else raised.</p>	Follow up on marking of work.	Ms Schâringer
7	Date of next meeting	1.30pm Tuesday 2 nd March		