

MINUTES OF THE PARENTS COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT WHITTINGTON PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL ON 23 MAR 23.

Present	Helen Fone Nicola Leeson Liz Woods Della Shipton Claire Woodall Kate Sedley Rachael Watts Alethia Gooding-Edgehill Mark Braime Samantha Quinn Rachael Matthews	Member Head Teacher Member Member Member Member Member Member Member Member Member	Chair PTA Sec
Apologies			

<p>Item 1 – Welcome and introductions</p> <p>1. We were delighted to welcome three new members to the Parent Council.</p> <p>Item 2 – Minutes of last meeting</p> <p>2. The minutes of the last meeting were accepted. Whittington Primary School - Parent Council (whittington-school.co.uk)</p> <p>Item 3 – Matters arising from last meeting</p> <p>3. Parent Communication.</p> <p>Item 3 – Parent questionnaire</p> <p>4. A questionnaire was sent out to parents canvassing ideas. The findings are:</p> <p>Publishing minutes via letters, email, Whittington Warbler and the school website.</p> <p>Suggestions and ideas presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - After school clubs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o More for girls o Free activities o A variety of activities – language, book clubs, choir, board games, art, computer, and dance o How will JTMAT improve extra-curricular opportunities - Sport in school - Military pupil premium - Physical harassment and bullying in school - Less dressing up days - Gender equality included in subject and sport - Links to local clubs - Building confidence - Sensory and behavioural issues - Allergy awareness and training for staff - Advice on making friendships and transitioning - School curriculum - COVID catch up - Parking - SATs - Learning kindness and inclusivity 	
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- Mental well-being
- Cultural capital – exposure to different cultures and religion
- Trips, routines, and expectations

These items will be discussed in future meetings.

Item 4 – Improving Parent Council communication

5. It was agreed that questionnaires worked well to canvass for Parental feedback and engagement. Continue to publish meeting minutes via letter, email, Whittington Warbler.

The school Twitter page @WhittingtonSch, a great source for school information after Reception and Tapestry cessation.

Classroom/Year parents have access to a “WhatsApp” group, it was decided that the council member for that year group introduce themselves and their role to represent the group at the PC Meetings and feedback.

Classroom/Year group parent council members are to be identified.

Item 5 – PE and Sport

6. Amy Howfield gave the Council an overview of PE at school, this included PE structure, physical activity, and sport. [Whittington Primary School - Sports Premium \(whittington-school.co.uk\)](http://Whittington Primary School - Sports Premium (whittington-school.co.uk))

The premium grants finance to schools for sports and PE but follow strict qualifying criteria, school has secured funds for the next two years.

New sports equipment has been bought and allocated to each year group.

There are four intentions in the 2023 premium:

- Physical Education Curriculum
- Development of lunchtimes
- Wider sporting enrichment
- Raising the profile of PE

Looking ahead the 2024 premium will focus on:

- Mental and physical wellbeing,
- Active lessons embed within the curriculum,
- Develop the role of the sports council,
- Technology to support teaching PE and sport,
- Ensure PE profile remains high
- Representation at inter-school competitions.

Item 13 – Any Other Business

7. Notice boards at school entrances. It was proposed to have the boards made to display Parent Council information.

Diary Dates for your diary. Summer Fayre 25 Jun 23 11:30 – 15:30.

Item 14 – Next Meeting

8. The next Management Meeting will be held on 25 May @14:00. Agenda items to include: Summer fayre, school trips and residentials, parent visits to school

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