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Learning for Life

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Parents' Evenings & Reports - 2018

Dear Parents

After consultation and discussion with the Parent Focus Group and work with the senior leaders in the Academy we have come up with new approach to parents' evenings.

Below you will see a calendar for the year. The focus of each event is slightly different and is designed to give you the most up to date information at that point in the year.

The first thing you will notice is we have increased the number of parents' evenings. We think that talking to you is one of the things that has the biggest positive impact, therefore we have created more opportunities to do so.

We have also introduced a new welcome/class presentation in September, which I hope you managed to attend. Many parents have really enjoyed these meetings. This is for you to meet the staff who will be working with your child to hear how they approach teaching and also have a chance to ask general questions.

I wanted to be very clear on the topic of siblings. For most of these events we only **suggest** that you don't bring siblings. If you have childcare difficulties then of course they are welcome to the vast majority of our events and evenings. The only event they cannot attend, due to Fire Health and Safety Regulations, is the September class presentation.

From now on when you are invited to a performance you will have the opportunity to bring siblings with you. There will be some restrictions due to Fire Regulations, but this will be fully explained in the letter for each performance.

Lastly, we have decided to run a class assembly for each class throughout the year. We will be starting this in September and you will get an invite when it is the turn of your child's class. We used to do these and somewhere along the line they got lost in the business of educational life. I am so pleased we are able to restart these wonderful celebrations of your child's school learning.

I am so pleased to be able to implement change that has come from a group of you. It makes such a difference to implement improvements that are based on things you want to happen.



September

Class presentation

This is the Class Teacher and TA meeting with all parents. There will be a short presentation and then a Q & A session. This will be from 3pm to 3:30pm

No siblings

Year 3 10th Year 4 11th Year 1 14th Year 2 17th 4+ 18th Year 5 19th Year 6 21st

October

16th 4pm – 7pm

17th 5pm – 8pm

Formal Parents Evening

Over two nights 4 until 6 and 5 until 8. The evening would be an opportunity for parents to view books, discuss current attainment and expectations for the end of the year.

December 14th

Interim report

At this time we will send out an interim report updating parents on their child's progress.

January 7th 4pm – 6pm Drop in

Informal Parents Evening

For one night 4 until 6. The evening would be an opportunity for parents to view books, discuss current attainment and expectations for the end of the year.

April 2nd 4pm – 7pm 4th 5pm – 8pm

Formal Parents Evening

Over two nights 4 until 6 and 5 until 8. The evening would be an opportunity for parents to view books, discuss current attainment and expectations for the end of the year.

Interim report

At this time we will send out an interim report updating parents on their child's progress.

July 9th 4pm – 7pm

Informal Parents Evening

For one night 4 until 7. The evening would be an opportunity for parents to view books and say goodbye to their child's current class. They can then look round their child's new class for the following year and meet the new staff.

Final Report

One night 5 until 8. The evening would be an opportunity for parents to discuss their child's ***end of year report*** and achievements for the year.

