



Minutes Hamstel Junior School Parent Forum

Meeting Date: Tuesday 13th February 2024 **Time:** 9:00am
Venue: Hamstel Junior School, School Canteen

Members of Group

Name	Child's Name	Class/Year group	Present /Absent
Mrs Christine Farrell		Headteacher	✓
Nina Kirby-Duboux	Alex K-D	Year 5Wa	✓
Melba Whipps	Joshua W	Year 5Wa	X
Kate McCrae	Geogre McC	Year 6E	✓
Lorraine Walter	Max W	Year 6A	✓
Francesca Towner	Charlie W	Year 3D	X
Ronnie Fisher	Oliver F	Year 6S	X
Jo Mayo	Ben L	Year 4T	X

Item	Focus
1	<p>Apologies for absence Melba Whipps sent her apologies.</p>
2	<p>Actions from previous meeting No actions to report from previous meeting</p>
3	<p>Standing item- funding raising projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Christmas gifts- sold well and made a good profit for the school. Many items then resold in the pre-loved uniform shop. - Mother's day sales – week commencing the 4th March in classes. Delivered to classes on the 1st March. PTA to provide the presents as part of the PTA. - Freezer and fridge-The PTA have a chest freezer and fridge/freezer for school events.
4	<p>Standing item- In-school projects</p> <p>-Reading sheds The reading sheds are being painted and are awaiting some further works to make them useable for the reading champions at lunchtime. These should be ready after half term.</p> <p>-Defibrillator It was decided, due to the cost and having to run a cable from the school to the gate that the defibrillator will be placed at the front of the school and the second one at the swimming pool. This work has now been booked in.</p> <p>-Library refurbishment All new furniture, shelving and many new books have been purchased to give the library a new lease of life. The Parent Forum were keen on the library being open to parents/children after school again.</p> <p>Garden/allotment volunteers The school is still struggling to get the school allotment cared for. NKD to speak to a link at Trust Links and the Headteacher to email Growing Together volunteer group again for support.</p>
5	<p>Standing item- PTA update An update was received from those on the PTA to the group; the PTA needs to advertise for a Treasurer. The PTA will be having an 'ideas' meeting before meeting with both schools.</p>

6	<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-NKB spoke about the selling of raffle tickets at school productions and more time given for this with maybe the children selling the tickets around the hall whilst parent are seated.-Issues with School Cloud and booking for parents evening was raised.-KM asked why children cannot throw their lunchbox contents away. The Headteacher explained that this is to enable parents to see what there are eating. The group discussed messy yogurts and how the lunchbox ends up a mess. The Headteacher said she would pass this on the dining room staff.
	Date for the next meeting: Tuesday 23 rd April 2024 at 9am in the school dining room

