

**Parent Voice**  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2016**  
**The Barn Cedar Studio**

**1. Welcome and introductions**

**2. Minutes of the last meeting and action points**

• **Texts**

- The school's ICT consultant from Capita was looking into the reason why some parents received texts on an irregular basis.

• **Website calendar**

- The website was now populated with current and future events.

• **Year 6 Isle of Wight trip**

- The kitlist on the website was the 2016 version.
- Mrs Enever, School Business Manager, had been in touch during the Easter holidays with any parents who had outstanding monies to pay.
- The itinerary for the trip had been sent out to Year 6 parents in the first week of the new term, along with an information letter.

• **Polling days**

- Year 6 children could still have a choice of having a school dinner or bring a packed lunch when they attend school on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May.
- Year 5 should bring a packed lunch for their taster visit to Hylands Secondary School on 23<sup>rd</sup> June but their canteen will also be open if they would like to bring money and buy lunches instead.

• **Lunch menus**

- Mr Nichol, the manager for the schools' catering provider (Ashlyns), had been contacted and was going to produce a simplified menu for printing that would be published alongside the standard menu.

• **Fundraising**

- This was yet to be actioned at the time of this meeting (since then, Mr McIntosh has been advised that the simplest way of parents wishing to contribute additional donations to the Multi-Use Games Area fundraising appeal may do so by adding whatever amount they choose to the skipping challenge item on their Parent Pay account. If a separate option for payment were to be set up, this would need to be applied to every parent's Parent Pay account and the school did not want parents to feel under any obligation to contribute to this as well due to it appearing in their account).

**3. AOB**

- **Recycling**

A question was asked about recycling options in the school, particularly at lunchtimes. Mr McIntosh explained that there are paper and cardboard recycling bags in every classroom and office; food waste is not recycled in the kitchen and dining hall currently. Enquiries would be made about extending our current recycling to include plastics, tin cans and food waste, if possible.

**4. Date and time of next meeting**

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May at 9am (tea/coffee from 8.45am) in the Barn.