





parents forum

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This meeting took place online

Present:	Deb Chaplin Daryl Wickham Naila Ali Sarah George Lucy Purt Hannah Russell	
Apologies:	Sarah Pullinger	
Item:		
Views on mixed age class	Pros New and developing friendships Exposure to higher learning for the younger children Lovely village school feel	Cons Concerns around Year 2 repeating prior learning Concerns around challenge for Year R and Year 2 Challenge for the more able Concerns around making friends but because they are the older year group they leave to go to Juniors or upstairs Would like more information on how a mixed age class is actually taught
Transition	Information for the forthcoming year as soon as is possible Deputy explained that the team would rather have all the facts before putting out the information but would always be wanting to give information as soon asap Deputy explained that the decision on next year was based on a number of factors and the decision was not yet made Forum felt that knowing the new classroom well is important and its contents Explained that we have done transition many different ways The school is small so everyone is familiar to the children Felt TJS have excellent transition for the infants going up . Mr Henman very approachable and accommodating Excellent communication Transition for Parents Children to present class first thing but adult collects from new class on a well signed posted playground. Information meetings for all classes much appreciated and one live and one by zoom	

<p>Rolo</p> 	<p>Forum members were very excited about the prospect of a school dog Felt it was excellent for children with animal fear and those who did not have animals at home Very positive One parent 'cant wait'</p>
<p>Jubilee</p>	<p>Very happy with all the children's ideas The celebration is planned for the Thursday 26th May</p>
<p>aob</p>	<p>The Forum asked if we are always expecting Ofsted Mrs Boyce explained that yes we are and that they are at Drayton today The Forum asked how as parents they could change or enhance the community view of NIANS Suggestions of the Taverham newsletter being used to publish events etc The parents always promote the school to people trying to decide which school to use Discussed needing to be rid of the inadequate label because it puts new starters off Discussed that we have an excellent Partnership Head at this school and suggested School Council doing an interview with Mrs Hutt and Mrs Boyce to understand better how the Partnership structure works</p> <p>Discussed lack of replies to the parent question on the newsletter The Forum suggested writing it on the white board Mrs Boyce to start this. Discussed if we could use the Irisapp to reply to the weekly question The Forum members know some families do not read the newsletter</p>
<p>Next meeting</p>	<p>Mrs Boyce to advise in a few weeks – after half term</p>
	<p>If you would like to join the forum please contact deputynightingale@istnorfolk.co.uk If you wish to give your view point to the Forum please contact any of the names on the notes above. Forum members thank you very much for your time...</p>