Parent Forum Drayton Community Infant School		
Present:	Discussion	Actions
Apologies:	Fiona Taylor Otter Francesca Allen -Hedgehog	
Present	Rob Lee – Otter /Fox Hannah Howard – Mouse Abi Etchels – Rabbit Lou Boyce – Deputy Head	
Item	Discussion	Actions
Reflection on starting school or moving up classes	Year R – really positive. Childerwood group found it easy to move from next door to the school. Most children have had full days at Nursery so going back to a couple of hours is not necessarily needed. Lou Boyce explained that with the number of settings coming into the school it is the best way to settle the children in. Reported that the apps are really tricky to get on with and more information and instruction for usage would be useful. Year 1 – booking the parents evening was much easier on weduc compared to pupil assett The move from Year 1 to Year 2 was easy	• Lou to investigate how to demonstrate the app to parents or produce a booklet on how to use it • Lou Boyce to contact Drayton Junior to find out if there is any information for an open evening

	Coming out of the class at the end of transition day made it easy to find the classroom your child was going to start in. The Year 1 meeting in the hall was very useful. Year 1 – 2 Very easy and rep felt he was happy to ask for extra help if needed Future Year 3s when will the parents receive information or an invitation to the juniors?	
Homework	Forum discussed that parents appreciate having options and optional types of homework Year R wondered if there would be more writing sheets The homework sheet can feel overwhelming Year 1 Like the choice of activities and really appreciated the certificate to recognise the effort made for doing 1 or 2 activities Might like a phonics or writing task added in on top of the grid from time to time Year 2 – like the grid and the options and the optional nature of the homework. Concentrate on doing the things that your child might need to do extra with. No negative feedback heard – take the homework at your own child preference and pace	• Lou Boyce to discuss with staff how they feel homework is going and what the plan is moving forward taking on board Forum's thoughts
Parents/family coming in to school this year	Lou Boyce discussed doing presentations for family via recorded zoom as Phonics morning was so poorly attended Forum felt this was a possibility and thought it was poorly attended due to work and the time Coming early at the end of a day is easier than staying on.	• Lou Boyce to look into how it would work recording a presentation for parents • Lou Boyce to contact IT support to get access to

	Parents enjoyed coming in for Christmas crafts last year. If we are going to do again, please send out the date. Sometimes the classrooms can be too overwhelming when families are in – can a smaller quieter space be allocated to some pre-booked families – it was agreed that this was a good idea Forum asked about ensuring the time and day of the week events are held on are rotated to cover all working days Lou Boyce hasn't got access to Facebook at school currently but would like to be sending out reminders for stuff. She has asked the new IT company for clearance to use the page at school Forum said that they would like to come to have lunch with their children in school	socials so updates and messages can be sent more regularly to parents – such as phonic meeting • Lou Boyce to check with staff that they think about when and which day their previous invitation in was • Lou Boyce to meet with Caroline in the kitchen to discuss if there is an option to have lunch weeks for each year group
AOB	The daily pasta option Lou Boyce explained that the daily pasta option should never have been available and since Edwards and Blake have appointed and trained our new chef the menu is being strictly adhered to which should have been how it was all along. Passwords on collection Lou Boyce to remind staff immediately that they should always be asking for the password if the person collecting is not known to them. Contact and password for a change in collection. Forum agreed that collecting personnel should not be embarrased or cross about being asked – this is all done for safeguarding purposes	*Lou Boyce to feed back to Kelly Davy thoughts on how popular the daily pasta option was. Cheesy pasta was a favouite and meant that children had school meals more than they do now without it • Lou Boyce to remind staff in staff meeting about always asking for the password if it is not the parent or designated person collecting. Lou Boyce will also remind

	Weduc dates on the app It has been reported to us that the school dates are not on the app Drinking in class Lou Boyce reassured the Forum that all children are allowed to drink and use the toilet in class time – they may be asked to wait till a break in teaching or wait till playtime if it's only a matter of minutes. Children will never be asked to wait an excessive amount of time Teachers on the playground in the morning Teachers should be on the playground at 8:25. If you need to meet with a teacher please do not hesitate to contact the office or speak to the person on the gate or Mrs Lake on the playground. Class teachers will always make the time to call you back. We know that some things cannot wait andwe will always find a time to listen to you.	about drinking, toiletting and the time needed to be on the playground.
Next meetings	Thursday 16th January 2:30pm Friday 7th March 9am Monday 19th May 2:30 Tuesday 15th July 9am All dates subject to change	