

LGB Question Summer Term Meeting 2015

Questions from Alan Bosley

- Parking. Has Clive sorted this or at least temporised? New signs have been ordered so they act as a physical barrier, like a cone to stop parking where it is most dangerous for children crossing the road outside of school. He is continuing to discuss the issues with individual parents and with some involving the PCSO in the process
- I think all share with you in the pleasure of the Little Seeds Ofsted report. Any info on when the main Ofsted will come?
 We are in the window for a return visit so this could be any time from now on
- Can Jan spend a few minutes explaining the present maths support program so we all understand how the static results can be pushed up? The programme supports staff to review the methods used for teaching Maths, the overall pupil engagement and ownership of the processes. This has a direct impact on how and what the teachers plan. The focus is on setting open ended tasks which need depth of problem solving and application of skills and can support greater use of cross-curricular themes which are more 'real' and relevant for the children. Staff have visited Hemyock school to see this in action which was very useful and enlightening and prompted good discussion and professional debate around the pedagogy of maths teaching.
- Is there any indication of result from intervention yet? probably too soon (Maths) Planning for open-ended tasks has trialled /started for some of classes which has had a direct effect on the planned activities for the children being more interactive and meaningful. Engagement, discussion and problem solving has been improved as a consequence leading to improved outcomes.
- I keep wondering how any savings the school makes can be used locally. It is obvious that we will now have to save and spend at the same time. Otherwise there is no incentive to save by efficiency but then never have local advantage.
 We have always had a philosophy of saving and raising money so this will continue we know that for the projects we want to make happen we need to supplement the sources of funding we have. What needs to improve is that the central systems allow us to track and accrue this accurately. Work is being done to achieve this for next year. LGB will need to monitor and hold this to account for the school.
- In the wake of the election is there any plan to take seniors to Houses of Parliament? Hear a debate? Meet the MP?
 Year 6 have been to London several times this could be a consideration for planning a future trip