**Parents Forum Meeting Minutes 12.10.2021**

Agenda

1. Residential Trips
2. Clubs
3. Class Trips
4. Parent Information Sessions
5. School Improvement Plan
6. Accelerated Reader
7. We discussed the school’s current plans which are to try and secure places for the Year 5s and Year 6s during the summer term at a local centre. This would be alongside Tedburn St. Mary and Yeoford schools as previously. We are then looking into the future at Years 2 and 3 and ensuring we have secured places for these children in the future.
8. Due to the positive response from parents for the questionnaire that was sent out, the school is going to implement Monday to Friday after school clubs as well as wrap around care provision. The intent is to run an after-school club which will give all the children in the school the opportunity to engage in activities they might otherwise not have the chance to. The intention for the after-school wrap around care is to provide support for families who require additional childcare. Letters and information will be sent out by the school on Wednesday the 13th of October.
9. A question was asked about trips and whether the classes would continue to go on school visits. It was also asked when they were likely to be.
10. The school asked whether parents would find any information sessions useful to better understand what is being taught at school and how it is being taught. Although none of the parents present felt this would be useful, they did suggest that an end of term assembly has in the past, been a positive way to gain a view into the classroom. Another suggestion was to give the children more opportunity to learn about public speaking.
11. The school shared the School Improvement Plan and talked the parents through the Key Improvement Priorities.
12. Parents asked a variety of questions about accelerated reader. The questions centred around the book selections of the children, whether they should be reading separate books at home, how the tests were taken and why it seems that some children have made negative progress when re sitting their ‘start tests’. The school are spending time looking at this at present and will share more information during the second week of next half term as it is clear from what the parents and children have said, the information is not clear enough.