Parent Forum: Meeting 2 Monday 7th June 2021

1.30pm on Microsoft Teams

Those present:	
Hannah Innis	Louise Bassett
Andrew Smith (Great Heath Academy)	

Disc	Discussion items:		
1	Feedback from previous meeting	We reviewed the notes and outcomes from the previous meeting which included: Recent survey feedback Communication Lunchtimes Uniform and PE uniform Any Other Business: Promoting availability of the Family Support Worker We discussed actions (available on the academy website) and agreed that the notes were correct. We discussed the samples of school uniform and the merits of the sweatshirt over the traditional jumper. All were in favour of moving to the sweatshirt material for jumper and cardigan. The costs will be much cheaper. AS is attempting to get the price to the level paid by other local schools.	
2	School reports	AS showed a sample of the school report for September, explaining how attainment and progress is marked. As children have had a disrupted year, attainment and progress may be lower than ideal. Teachers are looking at the big picture and using test data as well as their own knowledge of the children during lessons to grade them.	
3	Changes for September	We discussed what changes parents would like to see/keep/change for September. We are all hoping that Covid restrictions will reduce and so we will no longer need the measures we have put in place. Parents are keen to keep the system of coming in in PE kit on PE days continues, as do staff. There was a request to make it clear to parents what the expected PE kit is. This is currently reminded to parents through newsletters. We will make sure this is communicated when we let people know about the new uniform supplier. Parents also like the Zoom parents evenings and find them convenient. This will be fed back to the Principal.	
4	Uniform and PE uniform	This had already been discussed earlier in the meeting. The main points are that we will be aiming to move to a new supplier from September 2021. The uniform will remain the same but the supplier and costs will change. The new supplier is cheaper than the existing supplier and is located within Mildenhall making it easier for parents to collect uniform. This will also make it cheaper as there will be no delivery costs.	
5	Any other business	Parent asked about when clubs and school trips would restart. There are no plans to restart school trips this academic year, but we will likely be starting from	

September, assuming that restrictions are lifted. Sports clubs start this week and run until the week before the final week of term. Assuming restrictions are lifted, the full provision of clubs should start again in September.

Parents asked about Sports day. We are planning individual year-group sports days to take place in July. However, these won't involve parents coming in to watch as we are still limiting the number of visitors to the site.

Notes made by Andrew Smith