

HODGSON ACADEMY PARENT FORUM

Wednesday 10th May 2017

7.30pm in the Conference Room

MINUTES

1. Welcome and Apologies

Martin Pickles, Finance Director & Jeanette Bristow, Assistant Principal opened the meeting and welcomed parents to the meeting.

2. Matters Arising

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and agreed

3. Mobile Phone Policy

Parents read the proposed policy.

The policy document was welcomed by the parents present.

4. School Calendar 2017/18

A summary of School Events was considered. Particular focus was placed upon the number of parents evenings / reporting structures.

There was a general consensus that the current reporting arrangements to parents were about right.

There was debate over the value of Progress Tutor Evenings. It was acknowledged that parents only met with the Tutor for about 5 minutes but had likely had to give up a much greater amount of time in terms of travelling etc. In some cases the parent heard little more than they what they expected and thus felt that this was not a valuable use of time but other parents felt that it was important that they and the child heard what was being said even if it was just good news – importance for confidence building / praise etc.

Subject Tutor Evenings were considered valuable.

5. Any Other Business

New catering contract signed incorporating investment in new tills / cashless payment arrangements

The Lead Teacher of PE had presented initial proposals to the PTFA with regards to a Climbing Wall.
