

## Bridgewater Primary School Parent Forum Minutes



1. Introductions and purpose of meeting.

- 2. Miss Lovell-McNamee discussed Wellbeing at Bridgewater for pupils, parents and staff. She discussed the different initiatives we run at school, such as positive post, wellbeing stations and wellbeing ambassadors, as well as discussing how we take pupil, parent and staff feedback as a way to gather the views of our school community. Resources to support parents at home were also shared and the school website was acknowledged as a source for useful links. Miss Lovell-McNamee also shared a list of the Emotionally Friendly Schools team and explained to parents what their role was within school. Miss Lovell-McNamee shared that if there was a wellbeing concern, parents could speak to class teacher or Miss Hopkins in the first instance and this information would be dealt with accordingly.
- 3. Mrs Cope discussed the SEND provision at Bridgewater and shared how we support children throughout their time at school. Mrs Cope also shared our Dyslexia Aware School status and what this meetings regarding resources and support for our children. Mrs Cope discussed the Neurodevelopmental Pathway process and explained that where a concern was raised at home but these issues were not seen in school, parents should first consult their GP who should complete the referral. If GPs do not action this, parents were encouraged to let school know so they could investigate further. Mrs Cope also shared feedback from a recent SEND parent survey, which highlighted the strengths of the provision at Bridgewater.
- 4. Mr Tien-Rhimes shared with parents the results of the recent parent survey completed during spring parents evening. The results were overwhelmingly positive and Mr Tien-Rhimes thanked those parents who had taken time to complete this survey. Mr Tien-Rhimes also highlighted that the responses regarding SEND were difficult to interpret, which is why a further SEND specific survey was carried out. It was explained that these surveys are done to help inform the school of its strengths and areas for development and therefore are very important and we are grateful for anyone taking time to fill these in.
- 5. Further questions/ comments: There were no questions raised by attendees but it was shared unanimously by parents that afternoons were better than mornings for these meetings. Parents were encouraged to share any items they wishes to discuss at next years parent forum by emailing the school office or by using the school suggestion box.
- Next meeting Autumn 1 Date: TBC Time: TBC