



Attended AS, GH, MWD, LW, EC, CC Apologies SH, NH, NW, KB	Discussion	Minutes
1	Actions/update from last meeting	Previous meeting: - Communication – Reminders the week before of important dates are going out via email, face book and are put up on the front door. Trips – We have local trips regularly and a big trip out on a coach for each year group Supporting the PTA - Coffee mornings will be held monthly to help build up relationships. Smaller children can attend as well Clubs – STEM club – we have sent out a questionnaire to see how many people would be interested. Ukulele is open for reception children
2	Purpose of Parent Forum	Parent Forum is set up to allow communication between the Academy and the Parent Community. The Forum is designed to: Enhance communications between school and parents and develop an effective partnership by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing a voice for parents on issues that are relevant to them. • Providing valuable parental feedback to the school about a variety of issues from policy making to healthy eating. • Providing support for our school and a sense of ownership for our parents. We will meet once a half term and 2 weeks prior to the meeting there will be an agenda and questions to ask the parent group to feedback on at the meeting.
2	Forest School / Outdoor Learning	Forest school is a specific type of school. At Cross Farm we have outdoor learning where children still get to experience outdoor learning, fire pit etc...with a trained member of staff. ACTION – Mr Lynch to send out information about our offer at Cross Farm. What a forest school is and what outdoor learning is?
3	What help can parents provide with improving our grounds, help in the school, library time....	Fencing – we have put in a bid to higher the fences and have electric gate to the government. We will know in June. A local company coming in to paint the back of the school over Easter. Mr Lynch has a plan for the bank area on the playground
4.	Donations for the front of the school-to make it look good – coordination needed	Ground Force Day – 23 rd April & 30 th April. Staff and family volunteers needed. PTA to try and source some paint
5	AOB	Amazon Wish Lists – now se up with items on Feedback from Parent’s evening Pick up and drop off gate – we will open the bigger double gate in the morning and end of the day. ACTION – Mrs Stone will look into timings at ASC for children who attend clubs

		Volunteering in class – a DBS is needed otherwise we have to have an adult escorting the volunteer around.
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