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Dear Parent,

Parents' questionnaire and opportunities to help the School

On Monday 19th September a meeting was held for parents to discuss how to get more involved with the School. This followed feedback from last term's parent questionnaire, which suggested that some parents wanted to understand how they could help the School.

The Chair of Governors explained the role and aims of the Governing Body and the Chair of the PTA explained the fund raising activities of the PTA and how the money was used by the School. It was explained that many of the facilities, such as play areas, had been provided by the PTA and that without them the School could not function as it did. Volunteers to the PTA are always needed and it need not involve any significant commitment of time. **More information about the PTA will soon appear on the website and anybody interested in helping should contact Karen Taylor.**

The Chair explained some of the steps the School was already taking to meet the request from parents for more information about what children were studying each term, using the TV screen in the hallway for messages and plans to use the website and email (rather than letters in school bags) to communicate with parents in future.

A reminder was also given that the school had purchased 'Cool Blocks' to keep packed lunches cold. These are available from the reception area.

There was then a discussion about what else parents might do to participate in the life of the School. Ideas included giving talks about issues that would be interesting and relevant to the children's learning; help with the gardening club or use of the wildlife area; setting up a Forest School; and help with maintenance of the building and grounds. Parents were encouraged to think about what they could do and approach Mrs Davies with any suggestions. **Even if you do not have any immediate suggestions, we are very keen to identify people who might be willing to help in future and/or who have skills which they think might be relevant. Please contact Mrs Davies if that is the case.**

Thank you for your support,

Richard Feasey (Chair of Governors)