September 2013

These meetings are arranged at the beginning of the school year when all parents and carers are invited to a meeting with their child's new teacher. Here, the teacher will go through their plans and expectations and share the schools ethos and golden rules, as well as explaining how the school week is organised, for example they will explain how it works when children have PE or swimming etc. and many other aspects of day to day life for your child. Parents are able to ask questions, become familiar with the classroom and generally get to know your child's teacher.

During the week commencing September 9^{th} 2013 "Meet the Teacher" meetings were scheduled for Y1 to Y6 Parents and Carers.

The meeting were very well attended and from your evaluations we can see that you also value this time as much as we do.

The comments are very positive and complimentary to the school and the staff - thank you.

95 questionnaires were returned, overall attendance at the meetings was 198 out of a possible 381 - 52%

As always we take your suggestions very seriously and we have responded to your requests outlined below:

Did you find the meeting useful? Was the information helpful?

95/95 questionnaires - 100% said yes to both

Do you feel having your child present at the meeting is important? Tell us why.

92/95 questionnaires - 96% said yes

Some of your comments.....

It is important because we can discuss all the information at home and if my child did not understand any point I can help them - Y6 Parent

My child will understand that everyone wants them to do well, parents and teachers working together - Y6 Parent

We both heard the same thing - Y6 Parent

It is important that the child sees their parents taking an active interest in the school - Y6 Parent

Everything is made clear for all concerned my child can go about meeting these expectations and become more accountable for his learning - Y6 Parent

It shows my child that his parents are interested in his learning - Y4 Parent

My child will understand that we are part of his education - Y4 Parent

It makes my child realise that we as parents know what is expected - Y5 Parent

My child cannot dispute anything that was said - Y5 Parent

We all have communication with each other - Y1 Parent

It was nice to be in my child's class and see him so happy and settled - Y1 Parent

We all feel included - Y1 Parent

We both know and understand the rules - Y1 Parent

Yes so we all know what to do - Y3 Parent

My child can understand that the parents have the same information about the rules as them - Y4 Parent

Is there anything you feel we should have included during the meeting?

93/95 questionnaires - 98% felt the information given at the meeting was very informative and covered many aspects.

Comments made...

Wanted further information on the curriculum - Y4 Parent

Wanted further feedback on homework - Y1 Parent

Reminder to all Parent/Carers that a comprehensive explanation of the curriculum for all year groups and for homework expectation and guidance are on the school website: www.highfieldprimary.co.uk - please take a look!

Any other comments?

Your comments...

Y1 children got a bit unsettled with all the families in the class

Thank you very much for the meeting - Y1 Parent

Thank you for all your help with my child - Y1 Parent

Staff are very approachable - Y2 Parent

Teacher was confident in her presentation to the parents in Y6

To be able to come into school during a usual learning day and watch to see how things are done so we can help them more effectively at home - Y4 Parent

Very informative presentation - Y5 Parent

Well presented very pleasant atmosphere - Y5 Parent

Additional provision made by the school.

Hall set up with resources for Y1 children to go in with a TA if they felt unsettled

Parent/Carer that did not attend where given a booklet with all the information

"Together we can achieve more"

Maria Kemal Headteacher