

Parent Association Meeting
Thursday 26 November 2015
Agenda

1. Introductions

2. Apologies:

3. Election of Co-Chair:

4. Minutes of 8 October 2015 Future Minutes – taking of minutes

5. Headline Figures / Examination Results – Ms. Sara Dareve

6. Updates

- Senior Leadership Team Arrangements for this academic year
- Governors Training – November 2015
- Somali Advice and Forum of Information (SAAFI)
- London Mayor's Gold Club
- The Prince's Teaching Institute Mark – for English
- Proposed zebra crossing and road safety works on Forty Avenue
- Extra-curricular activities/Trips
- Show My Homework (SMH) – Update
- SIMS Learning Gateway
- Co-operative Trust Forum Representation
- Links with Birchwood House
- McDonalds Wembley Park
- Parent Meetings – this term

7. Year 6 to 7 transition

8. What can Preston Manor do better?

9. What would you like further information on? Future presenters? etc.

10. Growing the Parent Association

11. Parent area of website

12. AOB

Minutes from Parent Association Meeting of 26 November 2016

Items from Agenda	Further Action:
1. Parents attended invited to drinks/biscuits and to introduce selves to each other. Eighteen parents in attendance, mostly KS3. Orchids were given to Mr. Antoniou and Mrs. Laryea to express gratitude for all their work in the previous year and for their help in obtaining the LPPA Award.	
2. Apologies from Rosemary Laryea and PC Rodgers.	
3. Still item will carry forward. No one present wished to take up this post.	
4. The minutes of 8 October 2015 were reviewed and approved by Mr. Antoniou who was present at that meeting.	
5. Sara Dareve, Assistant Headteacher, presented on the Summer Examination results. She contextualised the results to national averages and local schools. She also provided the context to the particular year group. Ms. Dareve also presented on reforms taking place which will affect the examination and grading system over the next few years.	
6. Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SLT – Mr. Graham updated the Association on the current arrangements re: recruitment of Headteacher and structure of SLT. • The Association was briefed on the Governors’ Training Day that took place in November. Members present were also informed of Governor vacancy should they wish to apply. • The Association was briefed on SAAFI and the work this organisation is doing in the school. • The Association was also briefed on awards received by the school which included the London Mayor’s Gold Club and The Prince’s Teaching Institute Mark for English. • The Association was provided with an update on the proposed zebra crossing and road safety project that will happen on Forty Avenue in the New Year. • Parents were provided with an updated list of extra-curricular trips which have taken place this year – this has become an ongoing item on agenda. There appeared to be great satisfaction with increased number and range of trips taking place. • ShowMyHomework – parental feedback very positive. They find it very useful. They have however, asked as previously, that teachers give careful thought to stating how much time should be spent on h/w’s. • SIMS Learning Gateway - several year 7 parents had stated they had not received username and logins. Mr. Graham assured these parents that he would follow up the next day. Also, seemed to be an issue with parents of students with late starts obtaining usernames and passwords. • Co-operative Trust Forum – Mr. Antoniou had attended as a constituent member representing the Parent Association and fed back on the meeting. • Parents were updated on new school link that the school had made with Birchwood House and the projects that the school would be involved in. 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> McDonalds – Wembley Park – a parent had enquired about this and Mr. Graham explained how the school was responding to the problems taking place there. This included attending meeting at which head of McDonalds Security, local Police and members of Leadership Team from Ark Academy. 	
7. Year 6 to 7 transition. Several parents attending with children in year 7 stated that they were pleased with transition of child from primary to secondary school.	
8. When asked what we could do better, a parent had stated concerns about behaviour. Mr. Graham explained that the school was introducing a new behaviour system and policy in the New Year and that the intent of this was strategic in ensuring improved behaviour. Parents asked if they could be briefed on changes in future meeting. Mr Ward will be asked if he can attend to present to the Association at the next meeting. On parent also stated that things could be better if the school had lockers. Mr. Graham informed parent that the Association had been responsible in championing lockers the previous year resulting in the introduction of over 100 lockers, and that there will several lockers still available for hire at this time. Parents also asked if the points system could be explained to them and Mr. Graham stated that he would ask Mr. Evans to present on this at a future meeting.	
9. As previously. Parents also indicated that they would be interested in presentation on More/Most Able.	
10. Growing the Parent Association – parents present were asked to think about ways the Association could grow. One parent suggested skyping meetings for those who were unable to attend due to transport or childcare issues.	
11. Parents were asked to review Parent area on website and provide feedback on ways it can be improved. Parents were also informed of updates made to E-Safety pages and urged to view videos, etc..	
12. No AOB.	
Next Meeting – 28 January 2016	