Parent Meet with Family Support Team and 7 Parents -9th February 2024

- Previous meetings feedback was given with the headteachers response, parents agreed with the feedback.
- Parents suggested that to help with the cost of trips maybe there can be more local ones on foot or arrange bus trips to help build children's confidence and social skills. Parents were happy to volunteer their time to support.

We try to arrange a mixture of local trips and those further afield, e.g. there are trips on foot to the local library, some trips are in the city centre which we travel to by tram. However sometimes it is important for children to get to a specific place to get the most out of the trip educationally e.g. Industrial Revolution at Quarry Bank Mill.

- Parents raised that drop off and collection time on Whitchurch Road is still extremely dangerous for families crossing the road. There have been a few occasions where children have nearly been ran over after dodging in between cars. We did advise that as this isn't the main school entrance and the possibility of any school crossing patrol service is most unlikely. It was suggested that maybe the children could have some road and bike safety provided in school other than just in road safety awareness week and if there can be more local trips to the parks or local area walks to get them used to crossing the roads etc.

We aim to have a member of staff out on Whitchurch Road in the mornings as much as possible. Whilst we do what we can to reinforce road safety measures in the classroom as part of road safety awareness week, this has limited effectiveness as it is parents who are actually with the children on the streets most of the time. There is a built in curriculum time during which children are supervised in road crossing or learning about road safety.

Bike right education is available in Year 5 every Summer, we also have all year groups out on foot some point of the school year and yr 4 walk to Hough End for swimming every Tuesday.

- More after school activities were raised and even one-off events such as the recent art project but the places are so limited, There was a lot of interest regarding creative clubs and parent and pupil clubs. One parent raised that her child's previous school had regular "Read with your Child" sessions in school and even invited in to read to the whole class. Parents were advised that there will be a book swap event happening soon. We have a book swap arranged the Friday following on from World Book Day and will consider holding other "read with your child" sessions after school if there is an appetite for it. We aim to work with the SLT team to offer more opportunities to invite parents in to look at their child's work or projects that they are working on e.g Romans workshop. This will hopefully start from September 2024.

- Parents were asking if on rainy, colder days there could be a facility for some children with health issues to stay indoors with an activity. Parents were advised that these needs can be discussed with the class teacher and the Inclusion Team to support needs and possibly facilitate this.

- As part of mental health week, We then finished with some self-care and mental health activities for parents/carers to practice at home. Parents were encouraged to choose an activity that they are going to do for themselves this week and we also practiced some breathing techniques.

Next Meeting- 19th April 2024