Parent forum FAQ's

A lot of questions come up time and time again. These are some of the more common FAQ's.

Parking outside school - As previously discussed the school is at capacity in what it can do. We request visits but it doesn't solve the problem long term and the fact is that it is parents who are causing the issues with parking and unsafe driving. Parents can take photos and they need to send them into the council directly. Unfortunately the school cannot do this for them. However, we do wish to avoid any ill feeling between parents.

After school club - The school are unable to provide this themselves as it needs to be run completely separately with its own Ofsted. Although the school are open to this, to date we have been unable to find a provider that will work as a good match for the school. Two companies have previously been reviewed but were not appropriate. Other problems are that the school has very little storage and all of this and more would be required by an after school club. The other big obstacle is that it would mean the school would no longer be able to run its own after school clubs. If the right provider is found then the school would have to find a way to make the right decision on this

Whiteboard markers - In theory they are washable. The whiteboard pens were changed a couple of years ago as this point was raised before, and the current brand was suggested as being particularly washable. It could be that the supplier has changed the pens. The school will look into this.

Water bottles - The children are encouraged to refill their bottles, so it could be that they have done that. The children are encouraged to drink at snack time, playtime, before lunch, after lunch and at afternoon play.

Rough play - Rough play is constantly monitored in the playground. It often occurs as a result of their 'superhero' play. The children can become engrossed in the game and it can change in a split second. The staff try to spot it as early as possible to stop the game becoming too rough. One reminder is given and then the game is stopped if the behaviour is ongoing. Children can find it difficult to draw the line. If an incident or injury occurs then both parties are sat down to reflect on what has happened and to take ownership. All lunchtime staff are trained in this method. This message will be reiterated in assemblies.