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Parent Forum Collation – 22nd October 2015 Focus - Transition to The Blake CE Primary School

Thank-you to all of you that came to our first ever Parent Forum and for letting us know that you found this event useful to you. As staff and governors we found the process very helpful and will be looking at a detailed breakdown of all the comments that you made. We will be using the information that you gave us to ensure that our transition procedures and the information that we provide to new parents is of the highest quality.

<p>What was the quality of contact like for your child before starting school in September?</p> <p>You were overwhelmingly positive about the quality of contact prior to starting school. In particular you appreciated the teacher visits to the pre-schools, which you feel provide an excellent opportunity for your children to meet and to get to know their new teachers.</p> <p>You told us that you felt the number, increasing length and variety of visits meant that your children felt well prepared for and were excited about starting school.</p>	<p>How useful was the new parents briefing in the summer term?</p> <p>You all found the parents briefing interesting and informative, with a good level of practical detail about your child's day. In particular you appreciated the number of staff that were present and having the opportunity to talk to them after the meeting where you had individual questions and concerns.</p> <p>You made some helpful suggestions regarding the updating of the information booklet and emailing information out to you.</p>
<p>What has term one been like for you and your child?</p> <p>You all appreciate the availability of staff at the start and end of each school day and find the information that is sent home positive and useful in engaging your children in conversation about the work that they have been doing.</p> <p>You asked that the noticeboard be more prominent and that more information be displayed on it. We also received feedback about how the outdoor learning opportunities lead to difficulties keeping white polo shirts clean.</p> <p>We are aware of the issues you have experienced with Parentmail and are working with Parentmail to try and resolve them as quickly as possible.</p>	<p>Why chose us?</p> <p>Those of you that visited the school really appreciated the time that you were given, you told us that staff were welcoming, easy to talk to, friendly and informative. Many of you also said that the inclusivity, values and ethos of the school were a significant factor in you choosing to send your children here.</p> <p>You expressed mixed feelings about our website which some of you have found hard to navigate. Our website is a work in progress but you should now find that it has photos of recent events and updated information, which we hope you will find helpful.</p>