

Dear Parents/carers,

Last term we had a 'meet the Head teacher' afternoon. Thank you to all the people who either came in person, phoned or wrote to me. It was very interesting listening to your opinions about our school and the different ideas you have to make our school better.

You said "we wanted more after school clubs"

We had started putting on more clubs at the time of the meeting and the parents said it was a good thing, some parents said that their child didn't get a place in their club and we hope to keep running the clubs so that more children will get a chance. Please support us by making sure your child attends every week.

You said " we want more trips for our children"

By the end of the year all classes will have been on at least 1 trip and will have had a special visit/theatre group in school. We will continue to find as many opportunities to go to visit somewhere or bring in a special visitor. We are running our residential again for year 5 and 6 and are looking at an overnight trip for the year 3 and 4 children.

You said " we want more notice of parents evenings so that work can be organised. We had an open evening after reports went out where you had 3 weeks notice. Lots of parents attended and had a look at their children's work.

You said "we would like more drama in school"

There will be changes next year to the regular things we do. So watch out for invitations.

You said "we would like to feel more welcome into school and be able to come to more things"

We would like to plan more opportunities for you to come and see what your children are up to at school. In September there will be more and more opportunities to see what your children get up to at school. We will also have some evenings where you can come and see how you could help your children too.

We can't always make everyone happy all of the time, but it is as much your school as it is ours, I will be having another afternoon in September please come and let me know what you think, what you want or just come for some cake.

Check out our new website on www.churchvale.notts.sch.uk it is still a little under construction but keep checking letters and news on there too.

Holidays

As the summer has arrived we have had a small number of families take their children on holiday. You could be fined and we are now not allowed to authorise any holidays.

What does this mean?

If your school attendance falls below 95% for the whole year we can refer you to Targetted Support who could fine you. We been trying to work with our families to try to stop this from happening. It is important that next year you do not book any holidays in school time, keep your children off when they are not ill or lie about why they are off school. (If the authorities find you out of school they also may fine you.) So we are trying to support and protect you, please help us in return.

Thank you Mrs Yardley