

## **PINS parent carer forum agenda 24/6/2025**

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Group rules recap, including care park and SUMO role
3. School updates
4. General discussion/questions
5. Topics for discussion: Sibling Rivalry
  - a) Could you work out who the adult was?
  - b) When and then rule
6. Ideas for next meeting
7. Nominations for chair
8. Set date of next meeting (**TBC, maybe in term 2 due to behaviour workshop in term 1**)

### **Minutes**

Present: 2 parent/carers, Mr Andrews (Headteacher/Acting SENCO), Mrs Eves (SENCO assistant), Miss Wade (SENCO assistant)

### **Welcome and introductions**

- Mr Andrews expressed how keen Mrs Baker was to ensure this group continued in her absence
- Car Park and SUMO rules discussed
- Car Park – where we can write any 'off topic' items that come up to be discussed in more detail at the next meeting
- SUMO – Sum up and move on – anyone can call SUMO if the conversation has digressed

### **School Updates**

- The way we support children outside of school is undergoing significant change.
- SEN High Needs Funding (HNF) is not available in the same way as before (there is significantly less resource) but the school still needs to evidence a £6,000 spend on a child before being able to seek additional funding/support
- We do this in community groups, Greenfields is in Maidstone Central 2. This group is important as we should be able to share ideas and strategies
- A parent expressed guilt feeling as other children are potential not getting the help her child got
- Mr Andrews stated that we are doing everything new can to protect our internal offer to the children

### **General discussion**

- There was a discussion about wait times and how long this can be
- We discussed the Right to Choose Pathway

- There was a discussion about how the school identifies and supports additional needs and how effective this is.

### **Sibling Rivalry**

- Examples were discussed and the group shared that first attempts don't work!
- Discussed the importance of clear and fair house rules. It was felt that 'Super Nanny' was not realistic and that the 'naughty step' was not well named.
- We discussed the need to be able to work out who the adult was if you wrote down what was being said between parents and children.
- Discussion was held around the when and then rule and knowing what behaviour is it you are trying to improve/change and that it takes a long time to change an established behaviour
- Try to turn negatives into positives and give them effective strategies to cope.

### **Ideas for next meeting**

- Behaviour
- Attitude/swearing
- Eating
- The need to allow time for a general chat is important

### **Nominations for chair**

No one put themselves forward. The school will continue and this will be discussed in the next meeting.

### **Date of next meeting**

- TBC (this has since been set for Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 9am)