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Minutes of the Kemsley Parent Voice meeting held on Wednesday 18th October 2017

<u>Present</u>: Ali Crayford, Suzanne May, Jo Budgen

Apologies: Lynn Roe

We opened the meeting talking about if anyone had been successful in encouraging more parents to attend the KPV meetings. It seems so far this is not working.

Ali has been using the school blog which has a direct link to the school Facebook page so she has been able to put information about the KPV on there, however lately Ali just puts it on FB as Jo takes anything from there anyway. Dates and information are sent out by paper and electronically by Ali and a reminder text is still sent out too.

Ali still puts the minutes in the staff room and they also appear on the school website.

<u>Workshops</u> - SM asked at the last meeting that she would like some workshops related to cooking. These workshops are now organised and the first one starts after the end of term break on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October after school from 3 - 4 pm. This is a workshop for children and adults to attend together. Mrs Hughes is running this. Ali also said that Mrs Hughes may be running a cooking club for children soon. Ali also said she will be sending out info on a workshop near Christmas for Christmas crafts and some other possible courses that AE are offering.

<u>7 Habits</u> - Ali confirmed that the 7 Habits workshops have started successfully, although due to unforeseen circumstances there will a change to dates and times but these will be advertised soon.

<u>Holiday Club</u> - Everyone knows that at present there is no plan to reintroduce this, but so many parents would like to see this running again. It is talked about so much and requested. Jo and Suzanne both said they could help out with this but not run it and Jo said she could ask PTA members too. Please please consider if there is any chance this can run again.

## <u> AOB :</u>

Jo and Suzanne said that although the attendance incentives are really amazing, it does put pressure on the kids and some get seriously stressed and try to come in even when they are genuinely sick. The Daily Mile can have the same effect.

Suzanne suggested an idea that another school is implementing regarding parents taking holidays. The school is putting all the 5 training days in a week's block and putting them in mid-term, in term 6. This effectively gives the parents a "week off" so they can take a holiday cheaper in term time without missing any school. Apparently this has been seen to reduce holidays taken in term time so far. This can also be moved every year so holiday company's won't know when it will be. It's NOT tagged on to any half terms, could this be considered here?

Next meeting: Wednesday 13th Dec 2017.