

<b>Date of Meeting</b>	07.05.2021
<b>Presented By</b>	Clare Larkin Head Teacher
<p>Going forward may continue with Zoom and in person forums to assist with parents who are at home with childcare and work commitments.</p> <p><b>New Trust Merger</b></p> <p>March 1st Merged with BFET – This has been great transition. The Trust ethos and values have shone through and fit well with Lime Tree.</p> <p><b>Simon Beswick’s departure from Lime Tree</b></p> <p>Mrs Larkin explained that Simon is no longer the Executive Head at Lime Tree as he is now the exec head of Barton Clough and The Orcahrds. Simon remains in contact with Lime Tree.</p> <p>Our new Executive Head is Gary Handforth.</p> <p><b>Covid-19</b></p> <p>Mrs Larkin advised there has been no updates from the DFE and current measures will stay in place such as the one-way system, bubbles, etc. These measures are expected to be in place until the end of the school year.</p> <p>Concerns were raised about the parents and carer’s who were not following guidance by not wearing masks or following the one way system.</p> <p>Whilst staff do try to encourage parents to follow the one-way system around the school; staff stand at the main gates, where possible, before and after school, as we do know that this rule isn’t always followed by all parents. School cannot enforce the rules but can reiterate the importance of this and will send out another reminder via ParentMail.</p> <p><b>Year 6 leaver’s assembly</b> will be filmed.</p> <p><b>Sports day</b> to be filmed or take place on zoom. This will be confirmed nearer the time.</p> <p><b>Summer fair</b> will not be taking place this year. However, we are looking into other ideas such as a drive in cinema experience. Further details to be shared when they are available.</p> <p><b>Film Festival</b> will not be going ahead this year. In its place each class will be learning and performing a song / dance for Dennis Mallalieu’s retirement as school governor.</p>	

**Parents evenings will not be held** however once the school reports have been sent out in July parents can make an appointment for a telephone or zoom meeting with class teacher as usual.

### **Transition Day**

Transition day for the children will be the last Wednesday and Thursday of the school year. Details to follow but similar to how run previous years.

### **Renovations to the school**

**School hall** - We are awaiting approval to have the school hall renovated. We are hoping to have a 4D immersive space and for this to be completed before the summer. This would mean that the hall will possibly be out of use.

**Roof** – New roof will be starting in September with minimal disruption for the children. There will be scaffolding around the pavilions and part of the school field will be out of use.

**Play equipment** - The company are attending today to fix the play equipment.

### **Friends of Lime Tree**

A special thanks to FoLT who are doing an amazing job! We are having the flagpole fixed and re-painted. One of our children's designs from the design a flag competition will be made into the flag which will be raised by Dennis.

They are also in the process of arranging a break the uniform rules day. A parentmail with more information will follow.

### **Uniform**

Now we are back in school we will be looking more closely at school uniforms, correct shoes, all black trainers are acceptable but they should not have any other colours on them. Boots should not be worn etc. From September we will be much stricter around this

### **School Day**

Over the next 6 weeks, the children will be concentrating on reading, phonics, spellings and maths.

The children will be continuing with 10 10 10, which is where the class is split into three groups of ten, one group stays for work with the teacher, another group does sports, and another group accesses forest school. This is working really well in the school, the children love it, as do the staff.

As well as working on the basic skills each year group will be having fun learning days and experiences such as year 3 are going to be having a Stone Age day.

A ParentMail will be sent with more information.

**Enrichment** – This will continue; we have asked the children what they would like to do. Earth Adventures is a popular choice.

**Lunch Time** – We have reduced the time at lunchtime which seems to be working in reducing conflicts and arguments. The children seem to be more engaged when returning to class.

### **Wellbeing Award**

Lime Tree are absolutely over the moon to inform our whole school community that we have gained the prestigious Wellbeing Award for Schools. Lime Tree was formally verified by The Wellbeing Awards Team, of which the inspectors fed back that the school was pioneering, forward thinking, inspirational, and a place of care and nurture for all.

### **Parent Questionnaire**

Mrs Larkin explained how happy she was with the response from the parent questionnaire and the feedback given.

### **Play Therapy**

We would like to purchase play therapy for the school however, this is extremely expensive and not currently within our budget, however we may look at some fund raising for it. Parents agreed this would be a good idea.

### **Questions from Parents**

Can books be donated to the school? – Yes we would be very grateful for book donations and they can be dropped off with class teachers.

Mrs Larkin thanked everyone for their time and would like for everyone to spread the word for the next Parents Forum and to encourage other parents and carer's to attend.