

## ST CHAD'S C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL- PARENT FORUM

### **What is the parent forum?**

The parent forum at St Chad's is an opportunity for the school and parents to get together and constructively talk about the issues of the moment from a school perspective and a parent's one.

### **Who is on it?**

Jean Marshall (Unqualified Teacher) member of staff; Dave Humphries, a governor representative; and the aim is to have a parent representative from each class.

### **Why do we have a parent forum?**

The parent forum will provide a method of communication with parents and the school that is open and actively seeks the views of both parties. Meetings will be a genuine opportunity for open discussion about the organisational features of the school that matters most to parents and their children.

### **What do we 'chat about'?**

The meetings will be divided into 3 sections:

Updates on.....this will give the forum an opportunity to review things discussed at the previous meeting.

Views on.....items raised at this point will normally be generated by the school and ones that the school would welcome parent views about.

Discussion.....these will be items raised by the parents.

### **How does the information get shared?**

Minutes will be e-mailed to all members of the parent forum and the Head Teacher. A summary of the minutes will be published on the newsletter after the minutes have been agreed.

### **How active are members?**

Meetings will be held once a half term.

### **How does membership evolve?**

Ideally all classes will have a parent representative on the parent forum.

Please note that all issues, whether raised by a member of the forum should be general issues, not related to a specific child or incident.