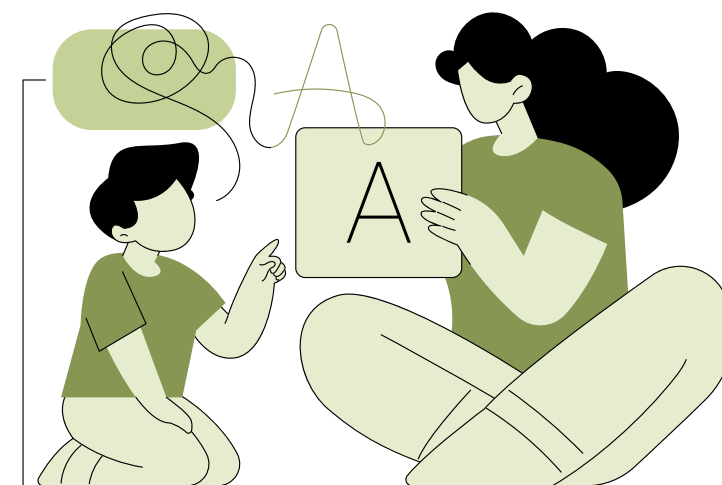


Welcome Event

April 2024



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My Ethos and what I hope to bring to Oakwood

I spoke very briefly about my ethos as a Headteacher. At the core of this is the firm belief that happy children learn better. Therefore, developing children's personal, social and emotional development is key.

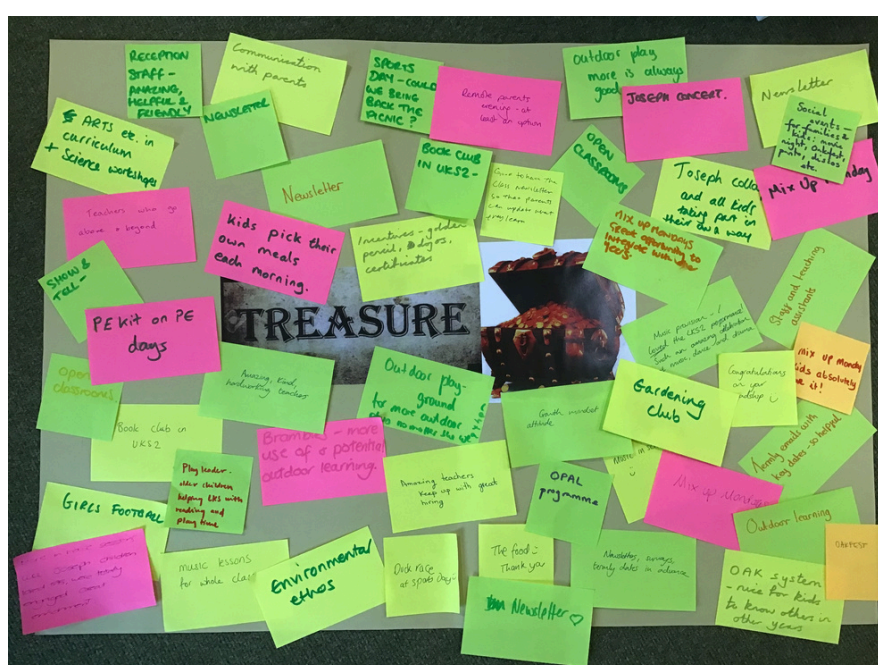
I then asked parents for their views...

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Treasure

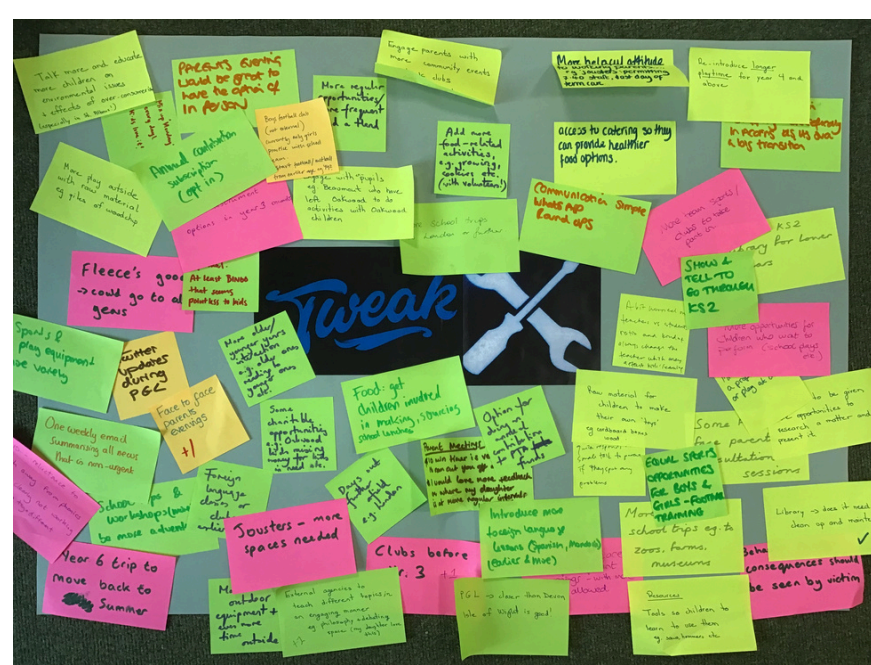
Treasure: what happens already that we need to treasure - to keep Oakwood brilliant and special?



3



Tweak



Tweak: what changes can we make so that things can be even better?

See page 2 for a summary of parent views.

4



Trash

Trash: is there anything we do that you think doesn't add value?



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What next?

Children and staff have also had the opportunity to put forward their views. I will read and consider all responses and update the whole school community on our next steps by the end of June.

Thank you,
Mrs Thompson

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We are making changes and we welcome your views!

If you were unable to attend the event (or you attended and would like to add anything else) you can put forward your views via the "We are making changes!" parent survey that you have now been sent.



Parent views

Tweak



- More assemblies/performances for parents
- More music/instrument opportunities/ school choir
- Share more photos of the children's learning/school trips eg. via a secure area
- Increase before and after school provision (Jousters/clubs for EYFS and KS1/variety of clubs/sports)
- Introduce a foreign language club
- Increase opportunities for parent helpers/speakers across the curriculum
- More and more varied school trips
- Move Year 6 PGL trip to the end of the year
- Bring back face to face parent consultations
- Retain teachers/staffing stability
- More feedback on home learning
- More opportunities and engagement for children to visit the school library and read a variety of books
- Behaviour policy – greater clarity on consequences
- Review the catering – healthier options
- Have home learning on paper rather than online
- Greater links between staff and the PTA
- More variety of raw materials and tools for children to explore
- Make opportunities to learn outdoors
- More community events including charity fundraising
- More engagement with Beaumont
- Earlier communication about dates
- Simplifying non-urgent communication: weekly roundups
- Option to wear PE kit/fleeces every day/further relax the uniform
- Greater communication with parents of children with SEND
- Bring back the ducks/get a school dog!

Treasure



- The Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) programme/Mix-up Mondays
- Older children supporting younger children
- Our outdoor grounds and using these for learning
- Whole class music lessons, musical performances
- Curriculum workshops
- Open Classrooms
- Google Classrooms
- Online parent evenings
- Book Club in UKS2
- Extra-curricular clubs
- Challenge groups eg. in maths
- PTA events
- Reward systems eg. special mentions, golden pencil
- Fortnightly newsletter
- Termly dates list
- The staff team!

Trash



- Smartphones
- Sugar and processed foods
- Online parent evenings
- Home learning – the “bingo”
- Reduce home learning
- Friday after school football