



Stanbridge Lower School



Parent Forum Feedback

Autumn 2023

We would like to say thankyou to those parents who contributed to the Parent Forum this half term - some in person and some via email. We want Stanbridge to be the best it can be, so we really appreciated working together and hearing parents' viewpoints on these matters. The agenda for this meeting was uniform and photo permission. Although we cannot agree to all suggestions, we take these views into consideration when reviewing policies or introducing new ones. Please see below for some suggestions that were raised at the meeting and how we have acted on these.

You said.....

"Uniform with a logo encourages a sense of pride and high expectations"

"It would be lovely to see them all in the same uniform and PE Kit; it's smart and gives a sense of belonging."

"It needs to be affordable and accessible."

We have.....

.....agreed to review the school uniform policy so that all children will be required to wear a Stanbridge school jumper with logo from September 2024. We are currently researching providers to ensure the best value and more information on this will follow in the Spring term. We will also be exploring the idea of a pre loved sale or uniform swap system to support with costs. We will not be introducing a new PE kit, but the school will look to purchase a sports kit that can be loaned for sporting events.

You said.....

"It would be nice to have some photos of my child during a performance to look back on when they are older."

We have.....

.....reviewed the current school policy on photos and would love for parents to take photos of their own children at special events. It is of course inevitable that photos will include other children, so we ask that these photos are for your personal viewing only and they are not posted on any social networking sites. This will be added to our Parent Code of Conduct document, which will be re-circulated in Spring 2024.

You said.....

"Curriculum photos should be put on facebook more often, ensuring that all year groups are showcased."

"It would be nice to have some more imaginative shots of children, rather than traditional back drops."

"I would like a class photo of my class, as we haven't had one since before Covid."

We are.....

.....sending home a revised photo permission letter for all parents to complete; this is attached. Once we receive this information, we will update our records and circulate to teachers, so we can confidently share photos of those children who have permission.

We have organised a photographer to visit the school in the summer term to take class photos; we hope that these will offer a more imaginative and creative backdrop to better suit the ethos of our school.

The next Parent Forum will take place on **Thur 7th March at 2.30pm**; the agenda items are homework & communication.

If you are interested in attending, please let Mrs Davies know.

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IMPORTANT **Revised Photo Permission Form**

The school would like to celebrate your child's achievement and experiences more widely and would like permission to share photos of your child in the following way:

- school website
- school publications such as the newsletter
- local newspaper showcasing school events
- the school's chosen social networking site - facebook

It is important to note that this may include photos of your child's face or group photos such as your child's class.

To ensure this is manageable for staff and reduce the chance of error, the school is only able to offer an agree or not agree option, as outlined below. This is completely personal preference and our records will be updated accordingly.

Please select your preference:

- I agree to my child's photos being used for all of the above mentioned purposes
- I do not agree to my child's photos being used for all of the above mentioned purposes

Signature: _____ Date: _____

It is important that your return this information to school by Friday 8th December, so we have an accurate record of photo permissions across the school. Going forward, this information will be added to the admission application for all new starters.

We appreciate your support with this and look forward to sharing more photos with you in the future.