

# The Coastal Federation

Bacton Primary, Mundesley Infant (SRB) and Junior Schools

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'together aspire, together achieve, together we are stronger...'

Dear Parents,

Following a really useful meeting recently, it was suggested that the schools in our Federation start up a Parents' Forum Group. Although we get feedback directly from parents, it isn't always enough to gauge the success of a particular initiative or a change in policy, so here is your chance to be part of that process of feedback and idea generation! Myself, Annie Edwards (Chair of Goves), Sarah Dallimore (Head of Schools MIJS) and David Hopkins (Head of School Bacton) have given it some serious thought and this is how we would like to proceed.



We are proposing to set up a group - 1 parent from each class across the Federation of schools - so currently 11 parents will be needed. We don't quite know the format of the meetings yet because we want this to develop over time from the members of the Forum. What we have drafted though, is a rough set of guidelines as to the group's purpose - which you can see on the attached sheet.

You don't need any special skills, just a willingness to meet 6 times a year (once a half-term). It WILL NOT be a formal meeting - refreshments will be provided and meetings should last no longer than an hour. They will likely be towards the end of the school day, to make pick-up easier. We will try to change the location for each meeting, so that we see in-rotation each school - which will be a nice way to get to know the contexts of the schools in the Federation.

If we get more than 1 parent putting themselves forward per class, then we will pull names from a hat or if there are gaps in certain classes, fill those with others. We feel that 11 parents and the 4 of us, is about the right number for everyone to be heard but not too small that no one wants to speak - if that makes sense?

If you would like to put your name forward then please fill in the slip below and return it to the school office. If you have a child in more than one school then please state.

Regards

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Chair of Governors

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I, ..... the parent/carer of .....

in class ..... would like to put my name forward.