

## **Alderman Jacobs School Parent Working Party**

The Parent Working Group is a friendly, informal action group made up of parents who meet regularly at school.

The group has been formed by the school in order to embrace the opportunity to receive feedback and ideas on all aspects of school life. We meet every few weeks, on a Friday afternoon, with Mrs Baker. Mrs Baker is always very happy to hear our feedback and has made the group feel very comfortable in sharing our views. The group has also enabled us to gain a better understanding of how the school works and its leadership policies.

We have been meeting for a year and in that time; we have had a real and positive impact on school life. Some examples of the impact the group has had, through discussion and sharing ideas are:

- Maths Taster Session. We said that we would like more information and guidance about the
  calculation methods our children were using in school, in order to better understand how
  they are learning and to support them at home. This has now been delivered in the form of
  the Maths Taster Session.
- School Reports. Our children's school reports are now distributed before the Parent
  Consultation evenings. The group felt that this would give parents the opportunity to read
  about our children's progress before meeting with the teacher, thereby enabling parents to
  think about any questions they have and to be more informed when it comes to our
  meeting.
- Look and Share. Regular 'Look and Share' events will now return to school after we
  expressed the view that we missed the opportunity to regularly view our children's work and
  that our children enjoyed sharing their work with us. The next 'Look and Share' event will
  take place on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 2.45.

Being a member of the Parent Working Group is a way of having a positive impact on school life, where your participation can make a real difference to the way things are done in school.

If you would like to come along and join us at our next meeting, please contact Mrs Baker or the school office.

Our next meeting is: Friday 7th October at 2.00pm