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Thursday 25th November 2021

Re: Parent Consultation Meetings Autumn 2021

We will be holding our Reception Parent Consultation Meetings **face to face** on Wednesday 1st December between 2:00pm and 5:10pm (with Katy) and Thursday 2nd December between 4:00pm and 6:00pm (with Jackie) in the Reception classroom.

We will be using the online booking system 'School Cloud' which means families can easily book a slot convenient for them. School Cloud can be accessed on all devices including on a mobile device/ laptop/ chromebook/ ipad- there's nothing to download or install.

Once booked you will be sent an email confirmation of your appointment time. The consultations are an opportunity for you to discuss your child's work, development and progress. Each appointment will be 10 minutes long. It would be great to see as many parents/carers as possible during the course of the evening and there will be an opportunity for you to look at your child's work before your meeting with the teacher.

School Cloud also has a video appointment option which we will use ONLY if a class meets the threshold for positive cases and are required to be in a bubble. Families will be notified if this is the case.

To book a slot that works for you all you need to do is enter yours and your child's details at <https://gillespie.schoolcloud.co.uk>. Your first name and surname must match the data we hold on our system so you may need to try your legal name and preferred name. If you get an error message please contact the school office via email on office@gillespie.islington.sch.uk.

On Thursday 2nd December between 2:30pm and 7:30pm we will also be holding our annual **Parent Voice Consultation**. This is a drop in session being held in Lab_13 and hosted by Gillespie Governors. We want to consult very closely with you on engagement between parents and school on their children's learning. We are particularly interested in your thoughts and reflections after experiencing much closer involvement with your children's learning during the lockdowns last year. We think this could be opportunity to for us to be creative and think about how we can better develop our home school partnership to support our Gillespie children. Reception parents who are having their meeting with Katy on Wednesday are most welcome to pop in to school on Thursday and are warmly invited to drop in to the session in Lab_13. I look forward to seeing all of you!

As part of our Covid precautions we ask that you wear a face covering (unless exempt) whilst moving through the building. Your child's class teacher will let you know whether they prefer you to wear this during the consultation meeting. Families may wish to take one of their twice-weekly lateral flow tests on the day of the meeting. Rooms and corridors will be well ventilated throughout.

Yours sincerely,
Mark Owen
Headteacher



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