

Tynewater Parent Council



In September, parents and carers were invited to take part in a survey about how you'd like to communicate and interact with the Parent Council.

The results are now being used to address issues raised and plan more effective communications.

Inclusive and Accessible

The survey results indicate that some Parents do want to attend meetings but meeting times and lack of childcare are major barriers. We hope to make meetings inclusive and accessible for all by doing the following:

- Meetings will alternate between Thursday evenings and Friday mornings
- Bring the kids! We'll have an activity corner with toys, etc. to keep wee ones busy. Older kids can normally entertain themselves!

Some of you don't want to attend meetings or you can't commit on a long-term basis, but you still want to help in some way. Soon we'll start:

- Telling you about volunteering opportunities
- Asking for help with specific short term projects
- Letting you know how you can help from home

The Parent Council can find a way for you to get involved in a way that suits you!

Information Cascade

Social media and email seem to be the overall communication channels of choice, so here's what we're doing:

- Being more active on our Facebook page, using it to cascade information from the school
- Ramping up our email communication by sending out a monthly e-newsletter (in this format) to all Parents

Your Voice

The Parent Council is your voice. Your opinions matter. Your ideas will always be considered. There are several ways for you to give your opinions, ideas and feedback:

- you can email us at tynewaterparentcouncil@gmail.com
- You can send us a message via our Facebook page
- We've created an anonymous feedback link
- We'll be conducting more online surveys and Facebook polls
- You can speak directly to a Parent Council Member (we don't bite)



Your Parent Council

Members

Mrs Sally Barlow
Mrs Eileen Busson
Dr Julia Critchley
Ms Sandra Liddle
Mrs Nicola Marr
Mrs Gill Penfold
Mrs Shondra Riley
Mrs Lynsey Roy
Mrs Jane Brown (Co-opted member)
Staff Representative (On rota basis)
Mr Douglas Lawson, Headteacher (Advisor)

**Next meeting:
Friday, 28 October
11:20-12:20
Community Room 2
(agenda to follow)
All Parents and Carers are welcome to attend**

email: Tynewaterparentcouncil@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/tynewaterparentscouncil/>

Anonymouse feedback link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdlhtzplJj6dfj-jC2MatZczSohHxIw9dIKpXYGPJdqorPQKA/viewform>