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Dear Parent/Carer

A huge thank you to the parents who came into school last week to meet with their children and talk about what is good about Mill Lane and what we could do better.

It is sometimes hard to hear that we are not perfect but we would rather you told us if you felt we could improve and then we can try to improve.

Many of the issues raised were around communication and us not letting you know the basic routines and expectations of your child's new class; on reflection and as a parent I can fully understand how frustrating this is and we aim to improve this mainly through better transition. I will update you when we have put together a plan.

Some people (including some staff) wanted sports days to be more competitive. This has always been a very tricky decision so I have decided to ask the children what they would prefer...watch this space.

People liked Education City but wondered if it was available for tablets - some games are and they are identified by a blue square.

Toast was an area requiring clarification. Toast is 20p a day or £1 a week or see the office for half termly cost. We do not plan to put toast on Parent Pay at this stage for several reasons but one of the main ones is that looking after their toast money is one way in which we believe children can become more independent and responsible. Any profit we make from toast is spent on treats for the children such as visiting shows or events.

These are the biggest issues raised but all will be addressed over the coming weeks and months and I will update you more fully shortly. We will invite you to come in again during this school year but, again, a huge thank you for taking time out of your day to talk to us.

Yours sincerely

Miss C Barlow Headteacher

Learning through hard work, friendship and fun.





