

Monday 16th September 2024

Dear parents,

Last academic year, we started a Parent Discussion Group to gain a regular opportunity to discuss strategic development priorities for Samares School and gain a parent voice on some of the plans we have in place, and for feedback on work ongoing.

It was great to have this group, and I am keen to run this again for the new academic year. Last year we discussed themes such as our School Improvement Plan, site matters, parent evenings, our response to Storm Ciaran, end of year reports, transition for new starters, SEN and Inclusion, school uniform, to name but a few! Thank you to all the parents involved.

Meetings are held half termly at 4-5pm. I send out an agenda prior to the meeting so parents can come prepared. Notes from the meeting are circulated after.

If you would like to be involved in the Parent Discussion Group this year or would like to find out more, please email me at g.lumley@Samares.sch.ie.

I am looking to establish a group who are committed to the half termly meetings as this brings consistency and continuity.

This group is separate to the school PTA – who focus more on building school community and fundraising. Please contact Lisa McCabe for more information samarespta@gmail.com.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Mr Lumley

Deputy Headteacher