

## Parent Forum 2.12.14

### Learning Ladders

Mrs Hunter talked through the learning ladders. The following aspects were shared / discussed:

- The background to the ladders, resulting from the change by the government from levels to age related expectations,
- The positive responses from the children about the learning ladders. This information was collected by the Year Heads on their learning walks,
- How the ladders might be used to report to parents and the end of year statements,
- The online aspect to the learning ladders and how parents had been used to 'road test' the website,
- The online version had the age related levels on whereas the children's version did not. Parents were asked not to divulge this information to their children,
- The school feels that the ladders benefit the children as they are much more engaged with their learning and what their next steps should be.

Qu: Are children quite accurate in self-assessing?

A: The majority are, and staff are training the children to make consistently better judgements against the ladder statements.

The teachers are working very hard with the ladders. They help them to inform their assessment and have flexible groupings to support pinpoint teaching.

Mrs Hunter went through what the end of year reporting would look like using the ladder information.

She then showed parents how to access the ladders website.

### AOB

The school will be looking at homework and spelling over the next year.