**Focus group 20/05/19**

Attendees: Alex Reed - MCPA Headteacher. Andrew Seedall - GMAT community team. Christina Djebah - parent link governor. Cornelia Nkala-Yuda (parent governor), Adefikayo Makinwo, Raheel Ali, Arooj Naveed, Reham Abduljalil, Roshna Mohammed, Zaheerah Carrinbaceus, John Yuda, Hayat Modhammed.

1. Uniform policy

Parents read through the school uniform policy and agreed its content. Positive feedback was given around upper key stage 2 having a PE kit which they wear all day. Parents also agreed with the school's stance on children who have incorrect uniform (providing an alternative in school, rather than punishing).

Andrew Seedall from the GMAT community team spoke about the adult learning offer and holiday clubs. He asked parents for ideas on how to improve this.

Parents who have used the services all had positive feedback to share.

Andrew reported that the number of MCPA children using the holiday clubs is low (approx 30) but the number of MCPA parents accessing some form of adult learning is high (approx 70). Alex Reed resolved to review how the holiday clubs are promoted to MCPA pupils - we have done assemblies and leaflets in the past, in future we could include in the end of term letter.

1. The Urban Jungle – Rec/Y1 Playground

We are currently applying for funding to develop the newly sectioned off area at the front of school into an all-weather outdoor learning & play area for reception and Y1. The concept is based on nature and plants, so is called 'the urban jungle'. Parents looked at some ideas for the space and made suggestions:

- A greenhouse and planters would be great, especially as it could have some community use too.

- Lots of plants in the area would be good to create effect and improve air quality.

- Some form of gazebo/canopy would create an outdoor classroom space to be used in all weathers.

- Themed paths/willow weaving/den making equipment would add to the feel of theatrics of the space.

No other business was addressed; parents were thanked for their time.