



Parents Forum



Bloomsbury Nursery School & Children's Centre Parents Forum

Forum consists of a group of parents and carers (past and present), teachers and School Governors, along with support from EDAS, who meet regularly to discuss topics of local community interest. Throughout the year the group of committed members have worked together to consider local interests with **a desire and vision to make a positive difference to our local community.**

A project that the group have chosen to focus on has been FGM :

“Female Genital Mutilation”

The group wish to raise awareness of **FGM**, sometimes known as **cutting or female circumcision**, and the long term **physical, social and emotional effects this has on victims** of this procedure. These include psychological and physical problems such as long term infections and complications with childbirth.

Members of the Parents Forum are committed to raising awareness of FGM within our local community and to providing **advice, guidance and support** to those whose lives may have been affected. The group have accessed training to further their own knowledge and understanding, as have all of the staff team at Bloomsbury



They have attended a training day opportunity provided by The Pod and liaised with our **local health visitors, police and specialist nurses** from Birmingham heartlands Hospital.

The Parents Forum motto in response to FGM is simple:

‘Together lets say No to FGM’

Female genital Mutilation is illegal and a person convicted of the offence under the FGM Act is liable to **imprisonment for up to 14 years.**

If you would like further information or support you are welcome to contact Bloomsbury Nursery School & Childrens Centre. All calls will be treated in the strictest confidence.