

# School Council Minutes Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016

Staff: Miss Whiteley

Present: Lucy (Y1CC), Aayah (Y2SB), Joshua (Y2MS), Eloise (Y3DC), Liam (Y3WB), Isaac (Y4DM), Brooke (Y4DM), Alexia (Y4CC), Yjesh (Y4CC), Kacey (Y5SK), Stefan (Y5SK), Stella (Y5LM), Toby (Y5LM), Toni (Y6MJ), Deivid (Y6MJ), Abdul (Y6RK), Isobel (Y6RK).

Not present: Declan (Y1EC), Gerardas (Y2HS) – art project

#### **Welcome**

Miss Whiteley welcomed everyone to the meeting including School Governor, John Sherbourne who is also the Link Governor for School Council.

## 1. House Charities

Miss Whiteley asked the representatives which four charities from the list that was drawn up at the last meeting they wanted the most to support this year.

There was a mixed reaction and so Miss Whiteley decided to have the school council vote on behalf of their classes

The names of the charities were read out and each 'class' had four votes.

The four charities with the most votes and the House names were then written on pieces of paper and folded so that you couldn't see what was written. Miss Whiteley asked four representatives to pick two each and children read the results.

Birkdale - RSPCA

Sunningdale - The Anti-Bullying Alliance

Turnberry – St Gemma's Hospice

Wentworth - Water Aid

Action: Representatives to tell their classes which House will be supporting which charity.

## 2. Takeover Day

At the previous meeting the representatives were to ask their class if they would like to participate in Takeover Day again, the result was a resounding YES!

Action: School council representatives to pass on the news that we will be participating in Takeover Day this year.

### 3. Communication of news, suggestions and comments

Miss Whiteley asked for feedback from the discussion about having communication boxes in every classroom. Most of the representatives had talked to their classes about this and children in Y6(MJ), Y4(DM), Y3(DC), Y3(WB) and Y1(CC) all thought it was a good idea particularly having different coloured pieces of paper while Y6(RK)'s feedback was mixed, some children thought it was a good idea while others did not because they thought that some children might misuse them.

Action: To feedback to Mrs Stott with the result.

#### 4. Sports Clubs (after school), MUGA Activities and Sports Leaders

Miss Whiteley informed the council that Miss Wright had asked if the representatives could discuss with their classes about what sports clubs they would like, what sort of activities could be held in the MUGA at lunchtimes that were suitable for mixed age groups and for both boys and girls. She also wanted to know if they should have sports leaders to assist.

Action: Council members to ask the following questions:

- (i) What after school sports clubs should we have?
- (ii) What activites should we have taking place in the MUGA at lunchtimes? \*Remember they need to be suitable for different age groups and for both girls and boys.\*
- (iii) Should we have Sports Leaders?

### 5. <u>AOB</u>

#### **Lunch Tables**

Isaac (Y4DM) raised the issue that frequently there is not enough tables available in the hall at lunchtimes so packed lunches are asked to sit on mats that are used for PE in the hall extension. Isaac commented that mats were often dirty with footprints etc and that they didn't smell very nice either as they had been used for PE.

It was asked if school could buy some more tables or at least have the mats wiped clean before they are used at lunchtimes.

Action: Should we ask Mrs Stott if we can have some more tables in the hall for children who have packed lunches?

#### **Headphones**

Abdul and Toni (Y6) asked if they could have more headphones as currently there is not enough ones that work. Year 4 children added that they would like some more too.

## **Trim Trail**

Miss Whiteley was asked if the new trim trail was going to have a cover over the top of it. It was explained that there would not be but that the wood was treated and that there was going to be safety matting put on the ground around the trail which would help it stop getting muddy and slippery so it could be used throughout the year.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November