



## School Council Minutes Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### Staff

Miss Whiteley

### Pupils

Seb (Y1B), Charlotte (Y1F), Kendall (Y1DT), Eden (Y2D), Maisie (2B), Vidya (Y2S), Bobby (Y3A), Darnell (Y3C), Amber (Y3H), Kara (Y4SH), Zain (Y4SH), Kaira (Y4C), Amrit (Y5C), Archie (Y5C), Joshua (Y5S), Elinoy (Y5S), Aariz (5P), Scarlett (Y5P), Ashleigh (Y6C), Reuben (Y6C), Miya (Y6EC), Rio (Y6EC), Tilly (Y6TC) and Atheiro (Y6TC)

**Apologies:** Izzy/Sameer (Y4TH)

#### 1. Welcome

Miss Whiteley welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### 2. Councillor Roles

Following on from the previous meeting children in Year 5 and 6 put themselves forward for roles and other children second the motion. As there was a tie for several of the roles a 'names out of the hat' vote took place.

Chair: Tilly, Vice-Chair: Atheiro, Treasurer: Aariz and Scarlett, Parent/Governor Reps: Rio and Miya, EYFS (N): Reuben and Joshua, EYFS (R): Amrit and Elinoy, Mng. Class Reps: Ashleigh and Archie.

***Action: EYFS reps to arrange a time with Nursery/Reception to speak to the children about what was discussed at the meeting and to feedback their ideas and opinions. Parent/Governor reps to meet with Miss Whiteley on Monday.***

#### 3. Behaviour Rewards

Miss Whiteley asked the councillors for any feedback from their classes about rewards linked to behaviour.

Miya (6EC) said that her class had suggested chocolate, extra break, a sports competition, pocket toys eg. slinky, movie and popcorn and extra dojos.

Reuben (6C) feedback that his class would like cookies and hot chocolate, 10 minutes extra break-time, tech time and pencils. While Joshua (5S)'s class had suggested ice-cream. Mystery box (lucky dip) and a slushy machine.

***Action: Representatives to discuss with their classes if they haven't already done so and feedback to Miss Whiteley by Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October.***

#### **4. Sensory Garden**

The new sensory hub is located in what was the quiet garden. The building is wooden and is surrounded with a small area of garden with a fence around its perimeter.

Children across school have been asked for their ideas and for school council to co-ordinate these and to design a sensory garden which should also incorporate a path running through the garden.

Miss Whiteley asked the councillors what they thought of when thinking about of a sensory garden. The councillors thought about their five senses initially and what they might like in a garden and what other children might like. The representatives then visited the area and jotted down their thoughts and ideas before sharing them with the rest of the council.

The following ideas were the ones that the reps agreed upon and liked the most:

- A sign at the entrance or on the hub building
- Bug Hotels and bird boxes
- Fairy lights
- Wind chimes
- Plants (Joshua suggested lots such as lavender, rosemary, sage and thought there should be lots of brightly coloured flowers too)
- Thought leaves (Tilly suggested having leaf shaped card or even wooden ones which children could write how they were feeling or any thoughts that they had about the garden – the council really like this idea)
- A bench
- Some kind of water feature or raised pond
- A mini fireplace/fire pit with speaker with crackling noises (like a real fire)
- Speakers outside that had bird song or sounds of the ocean piped through them

***Action: Representatives to talk to their classes about the garden and then feedback to the rest of the council at the next meeting.***

#### **5. AOB**

None