

# School Council Minutes Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024

#### Staff

Miss Whiteley

Pupils: Olivia (3H), Annabel (3V), William (4T), Luna (4DA), Joseph (5H), Azza (5H), Lottie (5LS), Lio (5LS), Mya (5P), Enes (5P), Ahmed (6C), Ebony (6D), Aman (6D), Nicole (6TC)

Apologies: Benji (1C), Jemimah (1BN), Hadiya (1TH) – Nativity Rehearsal, Oscar – Cross Country Event

### 1. Welcome

Miss Whiteley welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## 2. The Podders (Buddy Benches)

Miss Whiteley introduced The Podders to the council who proceeded to deliver a presentation about a 'Buddy System' that they would like to put into place. In summary helpers would wear hi-viz vests with rainbow stripes so that children could identify them. There would be a specific area where children could go. The Podders had identified the benches outside Reception and the hut at the bottom of the playground. They talked about the equipment that would require and how they would make children aware of these areas. Mrs Stott would provide them with a budget but The Podders informed the council that they might have to supplement their funds through fundraising.

The reps were then given the opportunity to ask any questions before they voted on whether they though that this was a good idea and would it to proceed and be put into place.

The vote was almost unanimous in support of The Podders proceeding.

Action: Reps to inform their classes that The Podders would be visiting them or delivering a presentation in assembly in the coming weeks.

### 3. Charities & Fundraising

Miss Whiteley asked if any of the reps had any feedback from their classes.

Cancer Research UK was suggested by Amman's class, NHS by Lottie while the RSPCA and Air Ambulance were put forward by Olivia's class and Make a Wish.

Following the discussion and feedback the councillors agreed that they were now in a position to vote for the four charities that school would support this year.

A blind vote was performed and the charities selected were:

Make a Wish UK, EHRA, The Air Ambulance and Homeless Angels.

Action: To inform everyone and co-ordinate houses so that they begin the planning/organisation of a fundraising event.

## 4. Christmas Jumper Day

The official organised Christmas Jumper Day takes place on 13<sup>th</sup> January however, Mrs Stott has requested that school take part on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January instead when it is also the day when children will be enjoying their Christmas dinner at school Miss Whiteley informed the reps. The reps readily agreed to this and Miss Whiteley advised them that the charity that the money would be raised for this year was Candlelighters; who support children with cancer and their families.

Action: Miss Whiteley to contact Candlelighters to inform that we will be taking part and create posters to advertise and the reps to inform classes.

## 5. AOB

None

Next Meeting is on Friday 6th December at 2.00pm