



School Council Minutes

Taken by: Lily

Date: 29.1.25

In Attendance (Highlight green for attendance):

By invitation: Head boy/girl/Deputy Head boy/girl/ Eco / HPL / Reading / OPAL ambassadors.

Year 2	Daisy, Felicity, Scholastica
Year 3	Will, Alfie C, Ella
Year 4	Polly, Victoria, Elodie, Charlotte
Year 5	Henry, Ruby, Maanvi, Robert
Year 6	Nathan, Lily, Ana, Bella

Agenda:

- All children to design poster demonstrating what mental health means to them for Mental health week.
- Chain of Christmas cheer challenge follow up
- Feedback on resources and football on MUGA
- Review who is able to feedback to their class. Discuss way of successfully and efficiently doing this.
- You asked, we listened.
- OPAL ambassadors
- Focus for this term
- Suggestions box
- Careers week
- AOB

Minutes:

- **All children to design poster demonstrating what mental health means to them for Mental health week (3rd Feb).** Competition for all schools in the area. Children invited to design a poster. Closing date is the 7th February. Prize for a class in KS1 and in KS2. Winner will win a prize for their and an individual prize for themselves. School council promote in class and display poster. School councillor will collect them in for your own class. Ana and Bella to collect in for EYFS and Y1. We are not judging the posters. This is done by the Schools Link Mental Health Team.
- **Chain of Christmas cheer challenge follow up** - All children collected their house points.
- **Feedback on resources and football on MUGA** - Alternate girl and boy football on MUGA is unable to happen but OPAL will review in the future. Extra glue stick and rubbers have been agreed and are on order.
- **Review who is able to feedback to their class. Discuss way of successfully and efficiently doing this.** Discussed that it important that we have the opportunity to feed back to our classes after meeting. This isn't always happening due to time restrictions and confidence. In some cases, we have given out the wrong information which has caused confusion. How can we avoid these problems? Our agreed points are as follows:
 1. Look back at your school council meeting minutes. If you lose them, they are always put on our web page.
 2. We will have a school council board in class for us to get messages to our class. It is our responsibility to do this - not in learning time. Younger children ask for help off older school councillors if you need to.
 3. Ana and Bella will update EYFS and Year1.

4. Ask your teacher to support you giving out the information.
 5. Remember your job is to be the voice for your class - listening and communicating. People need to know they can come to you with concerns and suggestions and they will be listened to.
- **You asked, we listened-** To have a section on the school council board to show what we have done.
 - **OPAL ambassadors** - These are the children with the pink vests on. Try and encourage children to go to OPAL ambassadors with OPAL concerns and suggestions. If they come to you, redirect them or talk to the OPAL ambassadors. Try not to bring to school council meetings.
 - **Focus for this term** - How can we develop our role in school? How can we be an effective school councillor?
 - **Suggestions box** -Add individual ones per class to the box in the corridor. You are responsible for emptying and looking at before meeting, so you are prepared.
 - **Careers week** - Careers week is coming up. Ask your class what careers they are interested in and would like to have talks on. Take suggestions to feedback to Mrs Hackett. Your follow up question, after careers week, would be 'How have these talks helped to broaden your mind?' You must get pupil feedback from your class. Ask children who you know will chat to you.
 - **AOB** -
 - Dojo treat - could we invest in an outdoor cinema or projector?
 - Can we have different PE kits?
 - More books and comics in class - Eg Cat vs Dog and Dogman.

YOUR JOBS BEFORE NEXT MEETING:

- **Mental Health week poster** - promote in class and display the poster, collect them in for your own class, Ana and Bella to collect in for EYFS and Y1
- **Feedback to your class.** Look back at your school council meeting minutes. If you lose them, they are always put on our web page, put school council board up in class, Ana and Bella will update EYFS and Year1, ask your teacher to support you giving out the information.
- **Focus for this term** - Remind your class that you are their voice and are here to help
- **Suggestions box** -Promote your box in class. Put a pencil and post-it notes near it, empty and look at before next meeting
- **Careers week** -Ask your class what careers they are interested in and would like to have talks on. Take suggestions to feedback to Mrs Hackett.
- **AOB - Mrs Astley to find out** -
 - Dojo treat - could we invest in an outdoor cinema or projector?
 - Can we have different PE kits?
 - More books and comics in class - Eg Cat vs Dog and Dogman.

Date of next meeting: WB 10th February 2025