



# Eastry Church of England Primary School

Jesus says "Love one another as I love you." John 13:34

## School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> February 2025

**Apologies:** none

**Extra attendee:** Mrs Moss, Mrs Harrison

**Matters discussed:**

- **Welcome and feedback** – The first time we had all been together with no one missing, and was a lovely opportunity to check what has been happening and whether the children have noticed an impact from our actions regarding parking. Children were enthusiastic about a few changes they had noticed in the area and were able to give some examples of positive changes their friends has made.
- **Kindness Week** - Mrs Moss came to the meeting to discuss the kindness week happening in school. As part of our new school vision, kindness is one of our school values. The adults in school are keeping an eye out for anyone showing kindness, and if they see this then they will hole punch a 'kindness leaf'. At the end of the week, the whole school will be attending the Founder's Day Service. The focus of which will be:
  - Celebrating the school's acts of kindness.
  - School council along with their teacher to plan a class act of kindness for the community.
  - School council to help lead the service.

School councillors signed up for what they are going to say at the church. It was agreed that the older children would support the younger ones with reading and speaking.

- **Mrs Harrison – Eastry Village News** – As a school, we want to become more involved in the community and a way of doing this could be the village newsletter. We discussed what we would like to include in the newsletter and whether as a school council we could write articles about our

learning and school events that we could send in to the editor to publish. Children were asked to go away and think about what things we could report on and bring those ideas back to the next meeting. In the meantime, as a group, we came up with a list of equipment that would benefit our learning in Forest School, and decided to ask the local community for any bits they may have spare to save it going to waste. We have requested: hand trowels, garden tools, spare saucepans for the mud kitchen, buckets and anything else they think may be suitable.

- **Any other business** – Could we please get more paper towels as we keep running out (Year 3). Children were asked to go back to the class to see what they are being used for. Encouraged to move out of the toilets and use the hand dryers instead.
- **Thank you and focus** – Thanks for all attending. Mrs Foley will be joining us at the next meeting and our focus will be on reading and the library, as she would like our help with encouraging everyone to read more for pleasure!