



Eastry Church of England Primary School

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

School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 24th March 2025

Apologies: none

Extra attendee: Mrs Foley

Matters discussed:

- **Welcome and feedback** – Welcomed each other and introduced Mrs Foley in her role as reading leader of the school.
- **Library** – Mrs Foley is keen to make the library a more inviting and exciting place for our pupils to come to encourage them to visit and to read a book whilst they are there. The displays are a little dated and should be led by the children in school of what they want to see. Ideas that were discussed included:
 - School councillors asking their class what their favourite book / author is, and then making a display about this.
 - One author focus? Looking at all of the books of Roald Dahl for example.
 - Do we want displays on the walls? Hanging down? On the windows? Above the windows?
 - What can we put on the door to make it inviting and exciting?
 - Freddie suggested we could have a model of a big book in the corner with favourite characters jumping out of the pages.
 - What materials will we need to order to make these displays a reality?

Children were tasked with spending 5/10 minutes in class at a time their teacher agrees, to get ideas from everyone in the class which they can then bring back to the next meeting.

- **Little library** – Mrs Foley also discussed the possibility of a ‘Little Library’ in school. This would involve the school council on a set day of the week taking out boxes of books at the end of the day, and children and grown-ups can pick a book out of to read at home. The next week they can return it and pick another one. This would be quicker than people having to go to the library. Another idea suggested involved at the end of the day having the door next to the library open so that adults could exit that way and pick up a book at the same time. School councillors were excited to be part of this initiative and we will discuss this further at the next meeting.
- **Eastry Village News** – This month we have reported on:
 - Year 1 attending the local coffee morning
 - The regional dance competition led by Miss Leishman
 - Pancake races
 - World Book Day
 - Wonka bars
 - Visits from the Dog’s Trust and renowned violinist Ruth.
- **Any other business** – None
- **Thank you and focus** – Next meeting will be in term 5 where we can collate all of our ideas for the library along with Mrs Foley and work out what we will need to do to implement our ideas. Thank you all for attending. Have a lovely Easter.