



School Council Minutes

Date: 12.11.18



School Council Attendees:

Y6: EM, ZA, FW, JT Y5: EA, EI, HB, BL Y4: TW, VMS Y3: MB, OW Y2: SB, IW

Apologies of Absence: No absences.

AGENDA

1. Children in Need / Centenary of the Armistice (100 years since the end of WW1)



Friday 16th is Children in Need. The theme is *DO YOUR THING*.

School Council have decided that they would like to donate money to both Children In Need and **The Royal British Legion**. Therefore, they have decided to put a *twist* on the Children In Need theme by asking that **everyone** wears <u>red</u>, <u>yellow</u> or <u>spots</u>; and, if possible that they can also show off what they love to do to everyone in school!

For example, if 'their thing' is baking, they can wear a red, yellow or spotty apron! If 'their thing' is cycling, they can wear a cycling helmet *AND* some <u>red</u>, <u>yellow</u> or <u>spotty</u> clothes! They can even wear a Dance, Gymnastics or Football outfit if it's <u>red</u>, <u>yellow</u> or <u>spotty</u>.

School council wanted everyone to know that there is no need to buy any new costumes, but if children have Pudsey Ears or T-shirts, feel free to wear these.

ZA (Y6) wrote a letter which was sent to parents on Monday 12.11.18 and shared in a mini Class Council meeting.

2. Friendships at playtimes

The councillors from KS1 explained that they had a rainbow friendship bench on the KS1 playground. The KS2 councillors felt that there should be something in place for children in KS2 who might not have anyone to play with. They could even be personalised with 'Friendship Buddy' on them.

The following votes were cast for Friendship Buddies:

	2	3	4	5	6
<u>Yes</u>	24	29	27	Majority Vote	17
<u>No</u>	5	2	2		9

Most children thought it was a good idea. Some children felt that it wasn't needed and would therefore not be a good use of their playtime.

Should we go ahead with this idea and raise money for the Friendship Buddy Jackets?

	2	3	4	5	6
Yes					
No					

If we do go ahead with it, would anyone be particularly interested in this role?					
	2	3	4	5	6
Yes	Y2 School Councillors could monitor the Buddy Bench.				
<u>No</u>					

3. Eco-Schools

The following jobs were decided by each class. We hope that these jobs help us to become more environmentally friendly.

Class	Job and Monitors
Y2	Lights / Whiteboard / Laptops for KS1 (IW)
Y3	Lights (JW), Recycling (OW + KL)
Y4	Recycling (EM + RY), Lights (OS)
Y5	Recycling (HB + RY), Lights (GG, JB)
Y6	Lights (IW, ZR, HH), Paper Recycling (HD)
Whole School	IW (Y2) to check KS1 areas each day.
Eco Monitor	EA (Y5) to check KS2 areas and other main school areas each day.

4. Playground Equipment

Miss Pickard has spoken to Mr Brotherton about the ideas you suggested for playground equipment and will be ordering some of these items soon. Watch this space!

5. Lockers

In Class Council meetings some children are complaining about the lockers being too small. School council talked about the time when children didn't have lockers. They felt that children had forgotten what it used to be like without lockers and what a brilliant improvement it was.

They felt that they should mention in the next Class Council that it was important for children to appreciate the school resources as it had taken a long time to raise money for them.



School council felt that if children complained that they feel too small, that perhaps they should think about the type and size of their school bag and to consider if they need everything they bring to school each day.

School Council felt that children needed to carefully fold their large winter coats so that everything would fit in the lockers.

ZA (Y6) is going to make the poster to remind the children in to keep the areas tidy and cloakroom monitors will check these areas on behalf of School Council.

In Year 6, it was agreed that children who are participating in a sporting event after school could hang an extra bag on the pegs but they were not to be used for oversized handbags.

Cloakroom Monitors will need to feed back to School Council about the tidiness of cloakrooms so that they can report back to Miss Pickard about the tidiness in the next meeting.

<u>Class</u>	Cloakroom Monitors
Y2	SB
Y3	JB + OW
Y4	GS + SD
Y5	Based on the Class Job List which is changed frequently
Y6	IW, ZR, HH

6. <u>Y3 / Y5 Toilets</u>

Each time there is a Class Council meeting, children in Y5 suggest 'better toilets'. They were asked what this meant exactly so EA (Y5) investigated this further.

Some children felt that the toilets were sometimes messy. School Council felt that the cleaners do a good job and that it can be messy because children dry their hands with tissue paper and drop it on the floor. School Council felt that children in school should take more responsibility for keeping areas of school tidy for themselves.

The Y5 children felt that they were much bigger than Y3 and therefore the doors were too small and did not provide enough privacy. They also mentioned that one of the sinks in the girls' toilets doesn't work. Miss Pickard spoke to Mr Burrows on 12.11.18 - he is going to find out the cost of some new doors to see if School Council want to raise money for them.

He also explained that the sink that is not working in the Y5 toilets has in fact been turned off. This is because when 3 sinks have running water at the same time in the Y3 and Y5 toilets (at lunch time for example) it causes a flood in the toilets and outside. Mr Burrows has decided that this is the most sensible idea.

What next?

Read these minutes to your classmates and make sure that the minutes are put back in your class folder as these will be required at the next School Council meeting on **Tuesday 4.12.18**

Thank you to all of the School Council members for making school a better place.

Miss Pickard



