



School Council Minutes

Date: 05.12.18

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)

The total amount raised on our dress-down day was £244.64
£122.32 has been sent to Children In Need and The Royal British Legion have been to school to collect their share of £122.32 already.

Well done everyone 😊

2. Friendships at playtimes

The majority of children in each class voted to go ahead with this idea. There were plenty of volunteers for the jobs so School Council felt that it would be a manageable project.



It was agreed at School Council that as Year 6 spend some playtimes with their Year R Buddy, they would not have to be a 'Friendship Buddy'. Some money will need to be raised by School Council to complete this.

3. Eco-Schools

The children felt that the Eco Monitors were doing a good job of turning off lights etc. They will continue to monitor this and feedback to School Council.

4. Playground Equipment

Miss Pickard informed School Councillors that there were no stilts available to order other than the stilts used in KS1. The councillors were going to ask their classes if they had any alternative suggestions.

Alternative suggestions:

5. Lockers



ZA (Y6) has now made a poster to remind the children to keep the areas tidy and to remind cloakroom monitors will check these areas on behalf of School Council. She will get a Teaching Assistant to laminate them and display them in school.

6. Toilets

Each time there is a Class Council meeting, children air their concerns about general tidiness and behaviour in the toilets.

The councillors felt that children were behaving inappropriately and this was making the toilets untidy. Miss Pickard will speak to the teachers who will use Circle Time to inform children of expectations in the toilets in line with the school behaviour policy.

School Council then agreed that this should be addressed with the Red Book rather than in School Council meetings.

7. Child Friendly Online Safety Policy:

School Council have been asked to write a 'child-friendly' Online Safety Policy that will be used at both Bramham and Shadwell schools. Mrs Williamson is going to work with School Food Ambassadors to write a 'child-friendly' packed lunch policy. Mrs Kirby will work with Bramham School Council to write a 'child-friendly' Positive Behaviour Policy. It is really exciting to work on a project that the whole Federation will be able to use.



Our councillors had lots of excellent ideas. Here are some of them below:

- *Help parents and children to understand how to apply 'restricted modes' on games and platforms like 'YouTube'.*
- *Don't post pictures or videos online if they include personal details like the name of your street or your school logo.*
- *Don't say things online in comments that you wouldn't say face-to-face, to a teacher or a family member.*
- *Don't let younger siblings in the same room as older siblings / older family members when playing games that are too old for them.*
- *Pay attention to the age ratings of games and research the content; sometimes the box looks fine but the game is unsuitable for children younger than the age recommended on the box. School Council felt that the colour coded ages helped them to understand what type of content the games would have.*

The PEGI website is a good way of parents finding out more information about the content of games. There is a really good video to explain all about these ratings and the symbols used to describe content.



Did you know that the spider symbol means that a computer game contains something scary?



Watch this space for the School Council child-friendly policy, coming soon!

8. AOB:

Year 6 have requested more Meter Sticks. Do other classes need more of these? YES NO



Some children requested that the toilets have Air Fresheners in them. This request has been sent to Mr Burrows.

A question was asked about the Willow Trees on the field. FW (Y6) asked Mrs Kennet; she informed him that the trees still form a tunnel that will come back in the summer and that children should be very careful when they are playing football to prevent them from being damaged and to preserve the trees for the future.



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 in January. *Please think about some ways to raise school council funds beforehand.*

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

