



**School Council Minutes – 4th October 2024 @ 1.15pm
In the mobile classroom.**

Attendance: Amelie, Chester, Eddie, Neve, Molly, Albie, Tobias, Hattie, Jack, Abigail, Millie, Hari, Harriet, Matthew, Hugo, Sophia and Mr Jones.

Minutes taken by: Mr Jones

- + Mr Jones welcomed the children to their new role as School Councillors. We talked about how important their job is to help make our fabulous school even better than it is! He also apologised for delaying the meeting by a day as it had been scheduled for the day before.
- + We talked about some of the rules of being a School Councillor:
 - o We listen to everyone
 - o We respect others' points of view
 - o It is fine to disagree with someone's view but we do it respectfully
 - o We are role models for all children in our school
- + We discussed behaviour. Some children don't always follow the rules. Councillors think that it would be helpful for children to have a 'Brain Break' when they find following the rules difficult. Mr Jones agreed with them and said he would ask the class teachers to think about how they could build this in to their busy day.
- + We talked about how the children would like more games at playtime and lunchtime. Mr Jones pointed out that the children have lots of different areas on the playground to play and that he thought our playground was amazing but that he would speak to Mrs Bennett about their ideas. They would like to consider:

- Football being made to stay in one area as they feel it takes over the whole playground and children could get injured.
- Using the field for breaktime in summer, when it is dry.
- Children being able to visit the sensory garden at break times should they get cross and need an area to stay calm.
- Books being updated in the reading area as many are old or need updating.
- Science challenges for the playground.
- A soft play area.
- A stage area.

✚ We discussed how lunchtimes impact the children's day and how it could be improved as the children felt that this was the time when they could have more fun and also get fitter. Children thought that:

- There is often food on the floor when they arrive at their tables to eat and they didn't like it as some children mess around with it.
- They would like more games to play, especially when it is wet play.
- When they have a sandwich for lunch that they need more food to go with it as they are still hungry. Suggestions were- crisps, carrot sticks, cucumber pieces or something else that would fill them up.
- A craft table would be a good idea for children to enjoy, creating a calm space.

✚ Mr Jones asked the children to complete a voting sheet to decide what areas they feel is most important for us to discuss. The children thought that:

- Community & Friendship were the most important areas that we need to focus on at School Council meetings.
- This was closely followed by Charity & Helping others.

- The Environment, Activity & Wellbeing and Science & Technology were other areas that the children thought should be discussed.

✚ Mr Jones thanked all the School councillors for their wonderful ideas about our playground, lunchtimes and how to make our school an even better place to learn and play.

Meeting closed at 2:15pm

Next Meeting will be on Thursday 14th November at 1.30pm

**SCHOOL COUNCILLORS PLEASE CAN YOU TALK ABOUT
THESE MINUTES WITH YOUR CLASS**