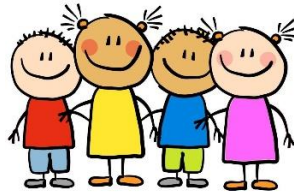


School Council minutes – 2nd February 2022



1. Members at the meeting

Demi and Beni (Y6), Coco and Eddie (Y5), Kasra and Jorja (Y4), Anaya and George (Y3), Christine and Kavell (Y2)

2. Update on areas of responsibility

- Year 4 have been taking out the recycling once a week. We discussed extending this to other classes.
- *Action: Year 4 to liaise with other classes about when to collect recycling each week.*
- Year 3 haven't started anything related to improving the environment. We discussed having children responsible for ensuring lights and whiteboards are turned off when not in use.
- *Action: Year 3 to speak with their teacher about how this can be organised across their own and other classes. Alternatively, the school council reps (or other appointed members of each class) could be the 'eco warriors' for their own class.*
- Paired classes at lunchtime. School councillors said that quite a few children in each of the older classes didn't like pairing with the younger ones and asked if it can change back. Mr Welsh explained why it is important to take responsibility for others, even if it's not always what you want.
- *Action: Mr Welsh to discuss the option of children taking their partners in to lunch and then going to their own tables.*
- Year 3 and 4 members suggested a litter pick at the start and end of each term.

3. Wildlife garden update

Christine asked if classes can use the garden more. Mr Welsh explained that lots of plants and animals are dormant at the moment so it will be better to wait for a couple of months so children can see more.

Councillors suggested it may be nice for each class to have a section of the wildlife garden they take responsibility for.

Action: Mr Welsh to speak with teachers about the practical implications of this.

4. Area outside Year 5

Mr Welsh talked about possible plans for the area outside Year 5 once the sheds are removed. Councillors were keen that we have chickens. Councillors suggested they could also fundraise for the chicken house.

Action: Mr Welsh to look at the cost of a chicken coup that is fox proof.

Mr Welsh also talked about having a quiet area where children can reflect and be with their friends. Kasra suggested having a nice hanging chair. Another member suggested having bird feeders around the area.

Action: Mr Welsh to explore ideas with staff to share at next meeting.

5. Other items

Councillors suggested having additional clubs including book club, art club and dance club.

Action: Mr Welsh agreed to look in to this for next term.