

School Council Meeting

9-3-2017 - 2pm

Present: School pupils x 16, Mrs C Clayton (Governor) Mrs Blackwell, Mrs Teeboon, Mrs Flower and Miss Gailley (Student)

The minutes of the previous meeting were read.

Actions completed:

- New outdoor playground rota set up.
- 5 Equipment boxes purchased, filled and equipment lists attached.
- Indoor break rota of activities set up.
- Collective worship rota set up, three groups.

Actions still to be actioned:

- Playground art equipment to be purchased, chunky chalks and two chalk boards to add to the two in school.
- Playground buddies – How often? How many? How should they be identified?
- A gas lighter for lighting candles

Actions discussed:

- One member of each collective worship group to be in charge of music/hymn. (RM, RD & WW)
- Peer Buddies to be in charge of distributing playground equipment.
- Y3,Y4, Y5 & Y6 total (12) pupils to be Peer Buddies and teach younger children what to do. Rota to be on display with playground equipment.
- Agreed 3 Peer Buddies per break, two to monitor top half of playground and one bottom half. Monitors to be on for a week every 4 weeks.
Staff to organise groups of three children. Peer Buddy bibs to be ordered in Red with words Peer Buddy on them. Colours put to a vote: yellow – 4, Blue – 3, red – 9.

School Improvement Plan (SIP) for EYFS small playground (suggestions):

- Paint shed rainbow colours
- Sand pit
- Drawing table with draws for equipment and seats.
- Astro turf for safer football.
- Bench/seating with shelter for games

- Basketball hoop for fence
- Climbing wall
- Quiet area, undercover (Reflective area)
- Willow tree arch (Peak Park Ranger to help)
- Developing small world play – Farm and water animals
- Story telling chair
- Climbing frame, slide, telescope
- Trim trail around yard
- Scooter and bike day + rack
- See saw, rope swing.
- School Pet
- Musical Wall
- A ship

Issues raised:

- It was felt that the Astro turf would be too expensive!
- The willow tree arch may attract wasps
- The trim trail would involve expensive ground work to dig out the bank
- Previous experience suggests a pet would become the staff's responsibility once the novelty wore off.
- The ship would be expensive and require an extensive area for use. Head teacher had previously sourced suitability and degree of use. Conclusion results from schools asked – once the novelty factor had worn off the ship/train/bus was seldom used (No value for money outlay)
- Suggestions box for future ideas regarding outside play area.

Meeting concluded at 2:40pm

Next meeting: Tuesday 14th March due to additional issues raised not being discussed eg: behaviour management in each key stage (Smiley faces)