

School Council Actions 2014-15

- Charities chosen for the year:

Local: Hospice in the Weald. Collections after Christmas productions and Christmas Carol concert raised £148.31 (£50.58 at the KS1 Nativity and £97.73 raised at the KS2 Church concert)

National: RNLI. Bring and Buy Sale. Raised £292.69

World: Greenpeace Environmental Trust. Raised through paying to dress up in green for a day and pay to sign tree sculpture. Raised £286.30

- School Dinners

Meeting with GSPlus cook about portion sizes, hygiene and food choice

Meeting with GSPlus rep and Kent County Council rep: agreed larger portion sizes; they said they would make sure food doesn't run out; a serving table for puddings has been introduced; fruit and salad platters to be produced. New routines put in place to collect puddings from the pudding table.

- Quiet area and playtimes

Signs produced to remind children about behaviour in the Quiet area.

Book of suggested playtime games created.

Reminded everyone to treat others how you would like to be treated.

Adults on duty reminded that children who do not behave must walk with them until they are calm enough to join in.

- E-safety concerns

Each class gathered concerns which were passed onto Mrs Dady (Our Computing Leader). Extra meeting held + Mrs Dady and Phil (our technician) for them to share advice on how best to deal with these concerns.

- Club choices

Each class surveyed which clubs they would like to run in September. They will be used as a suggestion list for staff. Council were reminded that clubs are run by staff who have an interest or skill in a certain area, so not all clubs would necessarily be able to be run.

- Library book choices

Favourite authors survey. These were passed onto our English Leader for when there is any money to buy new books for the library.

- Toilet cleanliness

School Council suggested each class to have one boy and one girl toilet pass. Classes encouraged to report any misuse of the toilets to a member of staff and also everyone reminded to leave the toilets as they would like to find them.

Playground Equipment

- The School Council helped choose which playtime equipment to buy.

- Staff interviews

A small group of School Council reps were part of a School Council interview panel when we employed Miss Chown.

- Year 2 responsibility

Year 2 created a list of monitor jobs (making sure they did not overlap with Year 6 jobs.) Year 2 organised these with Year 2 teachers.

- Cloakroom tidiness

Year 3/ 4 had a joint meeting and agreed that everyone should take joint responsibility for keeping the cloakrooms tidy as it wasn't fair for just monitors to clear up after everyone else.

- Anti-bullying awareness

School to take part in the National Anti-bullying week in November following Narwhals' questions about what to do if they felt there was continued unkindness on the playground.

- Themes for Houses (for September)

The theme of habitats was chosen. They will be called: Rainforests (green), Deserts (red), Oceans (blue) and Polar (yellow).

Review of Special Mention Assembly

- The School Council decided that the best way of reviewing this was for Mr Goddard to have a whole school assembly to share everyone's views and then to have a small group working party following on from this. This has started already.

Football and Apparatus rota

- Children reminded of their day and staff reminded to monitor that the correct class are using the goals/ apparatus on their designated duty day.

Organisation of lunchtime sittings

- School dinner packed lunch can sit with packed lunch people.
- School dinners and packed lunch people need to sit separately for practical and safety reasons.
- Noise levels in dining hall. Noise traffic lights were investigated but they would be too sensitive for the dining hall and the siren would not be able to be heard.
- Clean Eater Gang were reminded to do their monitor job.
- Pegs cannot be removed as they are used in the Winter months.
- Number of dinner supervisors has been increased.
- Focus group met with Mrs Fuggle to discuss lunchtime issues. These views will be used to plan training for dinner supervisors in September.
- No room for extra or larger tables in the dining hall.
- Dinner supervisors reminded that in the Summer children can be sent to the field after finishing their dinners much sooner due to supervision on the field.

Reminder of what to do if you need help from an adult

- If you are really hurt or upset and an adult suggests you are okay, but you know you aren't, you may politely but firmly explain that you do need help.