

Our Children's Council 2023/24

Minutes of Meeting - Wednesday 13th September 2023

Present: Harlee, Oliver, Emily, Willow, Mea, Miley, Amelia, Iyla, Andrew, Olivia, Mr Leech and Mrs Tams

Welcome:

Mr Leech welcomed all councillors and discussed the rules of the meeting such as raising your hand before speaking, listening to others and not talking over others so that everyone's opinions and ideas can be heard and discussed.

Discussion Point	Outcome
Elect Chair, Vice Chair & Secretary	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr Leech and Mrs Tams explained what was involved with each of the roles. The children who wished to be consider for the roles raised their hands and a democratic blind vote took place. The successful candidates were congratulated.• Chair – Emily• Vice Chair – Oliver• Secretary - Willow
Ideas for the Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Several fantastic ideas were suggested by the councillors. The overall topic appeared to be: Help others and be kind.• Ideas included a Harvest fundraising assembly, children can bring in a tinned/dried food item to donate to a local food bank. The Poppy Appeal, continue to sell Poppies for The British Legion. Winter Wishes – children to swap wishes or kind words to encourage each other.
Suggestion Boxes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The councillors were reminded about the suggestion boxes in every classroom. These boxes are for the children to add ideas & suggestions of how they think the Academy could improve. Ideas such as after school clubs, new reading books and playground equipment were suggested last year.
Safety in school/Safeguarding	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All members feel safe in school.• It was mentioned that the stage on the KS2 playground looks slightly broken and becomes slippy during the winter and that the Forest/Forest School area can become very muddy and children may fall.
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mrs Tams asked the members to write a Children's Council Statement, this is a few sentences about yourself and why you wanted to be a member of the children's council. Example: My name is Mrs Tams, I wanted to be a member of the Children's Council to help Monks Coppenhall be the best it can be.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 20th September 2023.

To do:

Remember to write your Children's Council Statement.
Remember/Remind other Children's Council members to have an early lunch and attend meetings every Wednesday at 12:30pm.
Tell your class about the suggestion boxes.