Our Children's Council 2023/24

Minutes of Meeting - Wednesday 20th September 2023

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

Welcome:

Mr Alcock 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
Lunch Options	 The councillors were asked for any ideas of what they would like to see on the Winter Menu. Ideas such as Stir Fry, Noodles, Spaghetti, Chicken Burger & Chicken Nuggets were given. All Day Breakfast continues to be a firm favourite & the children would like to see this on the menu weekly. Vegetarian options they would like on the same day included Jacket Potato, Tomato Pasta, Vegetarian Hot Dog or Sausage Roll or Fish/Salmon Fingers. All children enjoy the lunches provided by the Academy one even commented 'If I had the Chicken Burger again I would explode, it was so good!' The only negative comment was regarding the size of the Vegetarian Hot Dog – 'It was a bit small.'
Suggestion Boxes	 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. Suggestions included: Being able to make Play-Doh or Slime in after school club. More Sports equipment being out at break or lunch times and a wider selection of books in certain classrooms.
Safety in school/Safeguarding	 All members feel safe in school. It had been noted that the Basketball area on the KS2 playground has become slippy and that some children were using the quiet area besides the outdoor library for loud running games – both of these issues will be discussed with Teachers & the Site Maintenance Officer. Last week it was mentioned that the stage on the KS2 playground becomes slippy during the winter. This has been discussed with Mr Boulton (Site Maintenance Officer) who has said that when it is wet everyone should stay off the stage to prevent accidents happening & we may be able to look at some anti-slip strips.
AOB	 Children's Council Statement, this is a few sentences about yourself and why you wanted to be a member of the children's council.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 27th September 2023.

To do:

Remember to write your Children's Council Statement & hand to Mrs Tams by Monday 25/09/23. 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.