

PIRBRIGHT VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL COUNCIL

Thursday 11th May 2023

MINUTES

Welcome

Elizabeth Hawkner (1JL), Rose Keenan (1GE), Stanley Dodd (2SC), Alexander Stephen (2BT), Amy-Beth Goodship (4HJ), Sam Braithwaite (5DC), Laurie Leadbetter (6SF), Otis Oakford (6EC) & Mrs Dow

Apologies: Michael Gifford (3CD) & Phoebe Brinicombe (3ND), Mukki Aravinthan (4DS),

Welcome: Izzy Daly (4DS).

The original School Council notes were unfortunately lost in a computing disaster so this is largely written from Mrs Dow's memory based on Laurie Leadbetter's notes - thank you Laurie!



Today's Meeting – We haven't met for a long time so decided to do School Council boxes. We have met for other reasons though so the SC were reminded of their achievements with the Pokemon assembly and launch, their work with Bill from OFSTED, the safeguarding team from Learning Partners and their consultations with The Trust's architects.

We looked through class School Council boxes and discussed the following issues...

Prime Bottles

There was a good discussion about the pros and cons of allowing children to use Prime bottles as water bottles. We had concerns over children feeling they had to have one and the cost of these. Some children reported examples where children were trading or bringing in money to buy Prime bottles off each other which is not acceptable. School Council questioned the opportunity to develop some trading rules, Mrs Dow remembered Pokémon and had some concerning flashbacks to that process. Consequently, Prime bottles will no longer be welcome at Pirbright - a note will go in the newsletter and children told by class teachers.

Burger King Style Chicken Nuggets

There was a question regarding nuggets and the children explained to Mrs Dow the difference between the current chicken goujons on the school menu and the idea of having chicken nuggets inspired by Burger King. As Burger King seem to do such a good job on nuggets, we will leave that to them and stick to the goujons.

Toilets

Some children raised the fact that toilets were unclean and we asked Mr Brinicombe to join the conversation. We established that adult toilets were not an issue so the problem lay with children making the children's toilets unclean throughout the day. No school would have cleaning during the day so really, it is the responsibility of the children to use the toilets with care and respect. Teachers continually work with children on this so they will continue to do so to ensure children are reminded about how to look after school areas.

Hardball Cricket

Year 6 questioned the provision for hardball cricket as there are a few children who play. It was noted that there are already two cricket clubs for children and we are covering as many bases as we can. Provision will remain in place for the many as opposed to the few and there will be no swap of club.

Badminton Club

Good idea! Mrs Dow will propose this as an idea in the autumn term to Ms Jackson if anyone is stuck for a clubs idea.

Cinema Trip

Children were keen to raise the idea of a cinema trip. Mrs Dow will remind all staff that they are welcome to take children to the cinema if it fits in with their curriculum and is a valuable learning experience.