

PIRBRIGHT VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL COUNCIL

Thursday 12th January 2023



MINUTES

Welcome

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Today's Meeting

Welcome and Catch-Up

We all had lovely Christmas holidays and were feeling refreshed and ready to start the year with a smile! Hurrah to this!

Trader Fridays have been stopped for the time being as before Christmas, there were too many incidents of children not showing their Pirbright Values. The adults have always said if Trader Fridays can be managed by the children and not impact class time then they can continue, but we need a rethink to make sure we all understand and agree the procedures moving forward.

Trader Fridays!

The Objectives

- ✓ A chance for children to trade cards.
- ✓ For children to be happy with their new cards – they should feel the deal was fair.
- ✓ To demonstrate the Pirbright Values.
- ✓ Children to manage their own interactions and trading.
- ✓ No class time should be lost to trading issues.
- ✓ Parents to discuss cards and trading with children, before they come into school, and ensure everyone is happy with what can be traded.
- ✓ Parents to ensure any highly-valued cards are left at home for safe keeping.

The Barriers to Meeting Our Objectives

- Doesn't involve all the children and we need to be mindful of the children who don't want to trade.
- Trader Fridays can take up lots of space so we need to agree the areas on the playground.
- Children might trade cards that are expensive or parents wouldn't want them to trade.
- Pokémon Lottery or other games to "get" Pokémon cards when someone doesn't get a card back.
- Games where there are "winners" and inevitably "losers" are not fair. This is not a fair trade.
- Cards going missing from bags.
- Sometimes, rarely, KS2 and KS1 trade together. This doesn't feel fair.
- Cards can become damaged during trading.
- Children managing children can be difficult. There are some children that won't show the Values and this is tricky for the 99% of children who do show the Values.

School Council Plan of Action

- Every School Council member to go back to their classes and try to collect some ideas of some rules.
- School Council to come back together and put a set of rules/guidelines together which works for everyone and meets our objectives whilst reducing the barriers as much as possible.
- Share in assembly with all of the children and encourage questions/clarify anything.
- Produce some visuals so everyone can see the "Trader Friday Rules".
- Have a trial period to see if there is an improvement.
- Review at School Council and with the Pirbright staff and make a final decision.