



Alderley Edge Community Primary School - School Council Minutes

Thursday 5th October 2023

PRESENT

Mrs Walsh	Eva (y4)	Eva (y1)
Fynn (y6)	Joey (y4)	Luka (y1)
Nicole (y5)	Eva (y3)	Olive (y6)
Diana (y5)	Arron (y3)	Olivia (Y2)
		Hudson (Y2)

Focus of Meeting – What a School Council Does and Behaviour in School

1) The role of the school council

- A school council is a formal group of pupils who act as representatives of their classmates in discussing school issues with Mrs Walsh. It's a brilliant way of representing and contributing to Pupil Voice in your school. Children are elected to represent the views of all pupils and also to improve their school.
- The School Councillors lead a meeting with their own classes and teacher and then reports back to Mrs Walsh.
- A school council usually meets with Mrs Walsh to discuss and sort out problems. These could include school lunches, behaviour or ideas for fundraising events.
- Members of the school council are responsible for carrying out the ideas that have been agreed upon at the council meeting.

Action:

- ❖ Hold a class council
- ❖ Ask your class to talk about the best things about AECPS and 2 areas that could be better
- ❖ Each class to decide on their 'Making a Difference' idea for this academic year

2) Behaviour in School

What is behaviour like in your lessons?

- Mostly good - 1 or 2 children should out when they are not supposed to
- Usually calm until someone starts talking
- Most people are sensible and do what they are told most of the time, when they are told to stop they do
- We feel confident to tell a teacher and they stop any silly behaviour
- When people laugh it can make others laugh too

What happens if children are not doing the right thing

- The teacher will tell them not to do it
- You will get a warning and it usually stops
- Sometimes the teacher gets cross – not shouts loudly but will have a strict voice
- You get a warning and sometimes miss your free time or move to somewhere else in the classroom
- You can have to stay in for 5 minutes and miss your break

What happens if you are doing the right thing?

- House points
- Tokens
- Class dojos
- Class awards
- Token draws
- Marble jar learning to class award

What is playground behaviour like

- The blue box is a problem, lots of pushing and shoving to get the balls
- People fall out about balls and take each other's balls
- I've stopped playing football on the MUGA as it is too rough and people can fall out
- Most people get on well but there can be fall outs
- People fall over and lots of cut knees
- The Quiet area is not quiet – there can be rough play

Do we have bullying in our school

- Not in our class
- No – I don't know if we have
- We have had some but it was dealt with by the teacher
- There is some name calling by one child (Mrs Walsh said to discuss after the meeting)
- It is not bullying but the football is rough on the MUGA
- Not in our class – some falling out but not bullying

What happens if someone is bullied

- We tell a teacher and it is sorted out

We have our school rules, what would you think if we were to change them to...

- ✓ Be Kind
- ✓ Be Safe
- ✓ Be Responsible ?

- I like them are they are easy to remember
- They are basically what the others say in an easy way
- Perhaps we also need Tell An Adult as this rule reminds people do to this
- Year 6 may need more rules

Actions for Mrs Walsh and School Councillors

- MRs Walsh to review the use of the blue box and balls
- Mrs Walsh to talk to children in assembly about behaviour in ball pens
- Mrs Walsh to talk to teachers about making sure an adult is always in the vicinity of quiet area
- Mrs Walsh to look at making the school rules simpler
- Mrs Walsh and Councillors to update the behaviour policy for the school and children's versions

Action for School Councillors for next meeting

- Hold a Class council meeting
 - Share minutes from this meeting
 - Any update to What's Going Well and Even Better If?
 - Decide on a Making a Difference idea for this year
 - Tell classmates it will be dodgeball after half term in the main ball pen
 - Find out about National Parliament Week and all classes to find out about the parliament, the prime minister and have a vote that week and/or mock election - https://www.ukparliamentweek.org/en/?utm_campaign=0623-mar-ee-ukpw23-brand&utm_medium=cpc&utm_source=google&gclid=CjwKCAjw4P6oBhBsEiwAKYVvkq8_mPpfrjOgeeiYuy9uSIKl2S1pzuVvy2VYvEZ5TKb956-FrFzHTCChoCLVgQAvD_BwE
- *** Esther McVey will be visiting school on 10th November and will be meeting the school councillors*****

cc HARD COPIES TO - All Class Councillors

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