



Coundon Primary School

Together Everyone Achieves More

School Council Minutes October 5th 2023

Present: Mrs Maude, Scarlett, Ivy, Asher, Joel, Reggie, Avani, Ronak, Finn, Muha, Aria, Robin, Frankie, Brodie

Return to school and new classes. Children's thoughts

- Apprehensive at first but now feel more confident
- Like having a change of teacher
- Enjoy being back at school having routine and structure
- Happy to see friends and teachers after the Summer break
- Like having new friends this year as the classes were mixed. Mrs Maude probed on this and the children said they liked being mixed up each year and this was something they want to continue.
- Enjoying the new learning for this academic year
- Like seeing a visual timetable of their day/week as it helps them to keep organised.

Playtimes – What would enhance their breaks?

- Remove the I Play on 5/6 playground and replace with a climbing frame suitable for older children
- Years 5/6 would like the opportunity to go on the Trim Trail
- Football needs to be safer. Can we look at the area used for Football. The footballers have too much space and this doesn't allow much space for those who don't want to play Football.
- Would like additional play equipment. Suggestions put forward – Cricket equipment, Basket Ball hoops and proper Basket Balls, More Footballs. A permanent area to play Cricket zoned off so children don't run through the game. Further benches, Football goals.
- Apparatus added to Trim Trail – Monkey Bars
- Younger children would like to access the peace garden
- Further opportunities to play on the school field
- A small area for Arts and Crafts on the playground
- Shelters/Shaded area
- Bean bag games – different zones for them to access and earn points
- Swings and slides

Any additional extra-curricular activities they would like school to offer

- Coding Club
- Language Club

- Cooking Club
- Gymnastics Club
- Basket Ball
- Cricket Club
- Skateboarding
- Rock Band
- Mini golf
- A pottery Club
- Running Club
- Nature Club
- Ballet
- A Netball Club
- Badminton Club
- History Club
- Athletics
- Cheer leading
- Animation Club
- Swimming Club
- Rugby Club
- Forest School Club
- Kick Boxing
- Spelling Club

What do they consider school do well?

- Children are given a lot of responsibility and they like having this
- Teachers work hard
- Enjoy the PE delivered by Kits Academy
- They like all the reward systems in school – Hot Chocolate Fri, Golden Table, Dojo's, etc
- They like that we are an Eco friendly school
- They like that school think it's important that they follow the school values. Everyone should be 'kind' The values remind them how they should be.
- Enjoyable trips
- Enjoy the singing Assemblies
- Think Assemblies in general are good.
- Really enjoyed the Firework Display. Think school are good at providing fun experiences they can enjoy with their families – Circus, Ice-Skating, Picnic Film night etc
- School is a safe place. We are aware we have safe adults who we trust
- We have enjoyable lessons
- We like seeing the lovely displays showcasing our work
- We are supported well in lessons when we find things difficult
- Teachers are kind and fair
- We like it when the teachers buy Easter Eggs and we have a raffle
- Teachers are good to us
- We like coming to school to see our friends
- Enjoy the Wow day and having visitors come into school

Ideas for further school improvement

- Would like the School stationery shop to return and have a school business
- More active learning – practical lessons
- Would like to see fruit on the salad bar in the canteen
- Would like a school dog
- Bike sheds so they don't have to hang their bikes on the railings
- More space to play
- Would like more playground pals
- Lockers for 5/6 children. If we can't afford lockers then they'd like named pegs

Comic Relief ideas

- Teacher Race
- Stationery items linked to Pudsey to go on sale
- Funny hat parade
- PJ Day & bring a teddy
- Wear Spots including face paint
- Cake sales
- Classroom Penny Wars
- Joke-a-thon
- Red Nose run/walk

Mrs Maude thanked everyone for a great first meeting in their new roles. There were some interesting suggestions and points raised.

I confirm these minutes are a true reflection of what was discussed during the School Council meeting on 5th October 2023

Signed:

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