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Minutes of the School Council Meeting 26.4.13.

Present:

Class	Representatives
Y1	Ellie. Harry did not attend.
Y2	Jayden and Robyn.
Y3	Lucy and Nartaj.
Y4	Did not attend.
Y5	Kieran B. and Mia.
Y6	Jodie and Taran.

Mrs Essex and Mrs Shreeve.

- Jodie and Taran were sent to find the 3 missing children, but they were unsuccessful. Mrs Essex had reminded all classes about the council meeting during morning school.
- Minutes from the last meeting - there was a brief discussion to remind the children about what was discussed at the last meeting, which was primarily to do with the lunchtime arrangements.
- Matters arising - council members said that the trial to choose trays or plates had not happened as agreed. Hot dinners were now served on brown trays and the children bringing a packed lunch were using the red plates. However, Jodie and Taran pointed out that a lot of children preferred to eat their lunch out of their lunch boxes and that they were doing so. The situation where years 3 and 4 were always last into the hall for lunch has been rectified and the council members were happy with that.
- Mrs Shreeve then spoke to the council about our 'Healthy Schools' status. She said that it was now out of date and would need to be renewed. Mrs Shreeve has talked to the teachers about being healthy and there would soon be a new display about this in the hall. The questionnaires that the children have been filling in will be used to help in the plan for us to be a healthy school again. Mrs Shreeve asked the children if they thought that we were still as healthy in our habits and if they had noticed any times when we are not.
Lucy C said she had seen lots of chocolate in lunchboxes
Nartaj said that children often had more than one treat in their lunchboxes
Kieran B had noticed that playtime snacks were unhealthy
Mrs Shreeve asked whether the council thought anything needed to be changed.
Ellie said that we should eat healthy food like fruit and veg
Mia suggested a poster competition to promote healthy eating in school.

There was a discussion about the need for snacks and what we could do to ensure healthy eating at playtimes.

ACTIONS:

1. The school council members agreed to talk to their classmates about what they like to eat and what they should eat and feed the information back at the next meeting.
2. The school council will write a piece about snacks for the school newsletter.
3. Mrs Shreeve would be invited back to the next meeting for updates both ways.

The members of the council thanked Mrs Shreeve and she left the meeting at this point.

- House point cup winners - there was a discussion about possible additional rewards for the members of the house winning the house point cup each week.
Jodie suggested extra ICT time in the suite over the week
Kieran B said that he thought certificates were a good idea
Jayden favoured medals being given out for the week
Mia suggested buying 'We won the cup' stickers in house colours
- Y6 on chairs in assembly - Jodie spoke about the year 6 children getting pins and needles when they sat on the floor. She explained that they were getting older and taller and were growing up. Mia said that she thought that sitting on chairs was a good idea and that Y6 should be respected. She added that everyone would get this special treatment in their final year.
The council members voted to give it a try if Mrs Browne agrees with chairs on most days and P.E. benches in Golden Assembly on Fridays.
ACTION: Mrs Essex to speak to Mrs Browne as soon as possible.
- A.O.B. - Mrs Essex agreed to empty the phase suggestion boxes and note down the suggestions for discussion at the next meeting as lunchtime had ended.

Suggestions: a climbing frame, more competitions, library books, new lights in the toilets, decoration, new pens, a trampoline, a timetable for football, pets in school, bring the old lunch tables back, more spacehoppers, more ipads, more librarians, lockers for the children, nicer dinners and a swimming pool.