

Minutes School Council Meeting 2- 27/1/16

All in attendance, except for CM and EM (LW took her place as stand in SC member)

1. Discussed each outcome on plan.
2. Target Setting/Pupil ownership Outcome

SC need to ask their class on Monday in Circle Time if the target system helps to improve work (smarty pants and target wall.)

Mrs Everson explained how our tests work and that Mrs Creswell has asked us to think of a way to improve our test scores by setting individual targets. SC discussed if they would want to set a target in all 3 tests or just focus on one.

Our ideas so far are:

- We would prefer to choose one test paper to improve on (rather than all 3) and that it would help knowing our scores.
- We would like to have a choice of practice paper questions to choose from, based on our target, and take as homework on Friday's.
- Our new target to be stuck into the front of an individual test paper practice homework book.

3. Anti-Bullying Outcome

Three members of SC began to create a questionnaire on Anti-bullying strategies for the staff PLC. Mr Morgan attended the meeting for 5 minutes, to give us some guidance on the questions to ask. He was pleased with the 3 questions we had already created and gave us 2 more to add. Mr Morgan has asked if the questionnaire can go out and be completed 2 weeks Monday (in circle time.)

4. Reading Outcome

Mrs Everson and Mrs Lewis have asked Mr Clarkson and Mr Morgan to look into finding an app that can create online surveys. We would like to use this to finish creating a reading survey. K.H has already typed up the questions we want to ask, so as soon as an app is found, we can add the questions to it. Mrs Lewis will email Mr Morgan the questions we have typed, so that he can trial them on any app he finds.

5. Engaging Parents Outcome

K.H and LW emailed Mrs Evans to ask her how SC can support the Staff PLC to engage parents in school life.

We discussed the following ideas:

- Pupils would like to do practical activities with parents (cooking, gardening etc.)
- Once a month, parents could come in to join an after school club. This would make it easier for teachers and teaching assistants, because they would not have to set up anything extra. Our younger SC members liked this idea and thought that their parents/carers would like to come and join in with the club they attend.
- SC think that parents would be more likely to attend if the children write the letter or invite to their own parent/carer. Our younger SC members also liked this idea, so while the SC continued with the rest of the meeting, they designed their own letter to invite their parent to join them at After School Club. The letters they wrote looked lovely and Mrs Lewis will show the letters to Mrs Evans.

6. Attendance Outcome

Mrs Everson explained to SC how important it is for us to focus on the attendance outcome this term. She explained how we need to have a way of improving individual attendance scores as well as our class score.

We discussed the following:

- As SC members we would feel comfortable to speak to individuals in our class and help them to improve their attendance, but would need a script and form to follow.
- We would like to have small stickers to give to our class mates who we have spoken to about attendance (if their attendance has improved that week.)
- We would also be happy to speak to Mrs Doolan on a Friday to find out our class attendance score. We will take the score and tell our class. Then we will set the class a new target for the following week.
- We liked the idea of going into a prize draw for a tablet if we get 100% attendance and we think that we could ask some local stores to donate them or give discounts.
- We like being put into a prize draw for vouchers/discounts at local businesses, when we get 96% or above and would like this to continue. We have emailed a few local businesses to ask for their support, but so far only Dragons Rugby have responded and arranged a reward day. We will continue to ring and email for more rewards support.
- We think that the prize for 96% needs to be announced earlier in the term, in an assembly, so that we know what we are working towards. We will then need to be reminded in assembly for the rest of the term, to keep us motivated.
- We like the new Gold, Silver, Bronze Attendance Board because we can see clearly which band our class is in. We would like this to continue.

- We would like the 'Class of the week' prize to be extra golden time, extra play or time on the new climbing frame. We would like to think of another idea for when the weather is really bad.
- We are asking Mrs Smith to put the header on our letters for better weather clothing, which was approved by Mrs Cresswell. The monitors have been trying hard to make sure coats are being worn in cold and damp weather.

Three SC members then created a script/form to use for when we speak to individuals in our class about their low attendance. We have emailed this to Mrs Cresswell for her approval.

We will ask our class during circle time on Monday, if they agree with the ideas for attendance rewards (Tablet for 100%, voucher or local business reward and class of the week reward.)

AOB- Mrs Lewis and Mrs Everson have been looking into buying better SC badges. Mrs Everson has managed to find a site that sell badges that seem more sturdy so we will ask to order these.

LW and KH will update EM on what she has missed.