

# Willow Wood Community Primary School School Council Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2014 1:10pm Rainbow Room

#### 1. Welcome and Attendance

Year 1: BE

Year 2: KN, KP

Year 3/4: LM, JS, TS

Year 5: TT

Year 6: BR, AH, SN, BW

Members of staff: EL, MY

Visitor: Karen from the kitchen

Apologies: ST, KC, RH

## 2. Minutes and Matters Arising (Feedback)

You all enjoyed the tasks you were set recently! The designers came up with some fantastic sign designs and the letter for parents was also brilliant. The deadline has now passed so we will need to decide on the best suggestions in the next meeting.

### 3. Pupil Forum

AH updated us with the discussions from the last pupil forum. The following points were discussed and the councillors feel we need to tackle some certain issues. Litter in schools was a common problem. Also, the speed limit outside schools was discussed and might be lowered to 20mph. There are lots of plans for the parks in the Winsford area including new houses being built. There is also going to be a new supermarket at the end of Dene Drive. The problem of graffiti was also discussed and AH told us what to do if we notice graffiti. AH suggests that if you see graffiti you should ask your parents or carers to report it to the school council so it can be cleaned up!

Do you have any ideas to pass onto RH or AH for the next meeting?

#### 4. School Council Awards

We received a letter from the Speakers Office at the House of Commons! They would like us to enter a competition to win an award! We need to create a project or use an existing project to show how we have made an impact on our community or school. We had a little discussion about some ideas we already have.

TS suggested a school newspaper to keep everyone informed on what's going on in school. An idea from the previous school council which never got implemented was a running tack. This would be a permanent resource that we could always use and it helps to keep us fit!

KN suggested a school library that could be manned by year six children with the help of some teachers.

We could also use the current project we are working on with the revamp of the look of Willow Wood. This helps the community and shows how proud of our school we are.

## 5. Healthy snacks - Karen

Our cook from the kitchen, Karen, popped into our meeting to discuss our ideas about healthy snacks. We asked Karen about the condiments and sauces availability at lunch time. Although, Karen can't give the children sauce like from the supermarket, she can make her own. They have been out before but not many children have them. We are going to arrange a taste day and inform all children that there will be two sauces to try – barbeque and tomato. Make sure you try one and ask for feedback from the children!

In regards to healthy snacks, fruit has been an option in the past but it mostly goes to waste when children don't eat it. This week alone, Karen put out lots of fruit but there were only 8 bags of grapes that were taken. Frozen smoothies are available at summer time at the cost of 50p but Karen is unable to make fresh ones because she doesn't have a blender. Maybe we need to think about how we could raise money for a blender? These would cost the school too so we need to do some real research before we start looking into this idea.

Next meeting: Friday 28th February 2014

### **Next Actions:**

- Gain ideas for the Speakers Awards Project
- Try a sauce from the kitchen and spread the word
- Ask the other children what they think of the sauces