

## **Cummersdale School Council Meeting**

### **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

**Present:** Toby Wilson, Jessi Grice (Y6), Riley Kirk, Eloise Wakefield (Y5), Farrah Simpson-Wood, Alex Graham (Y4), Elliott Tolley, India Maxwell (Y3), Thomas Ormerod, Georgia Dickinson (Y2), Bradley Leathers, Olivia Banks (Y1)

- 1 Mr Jones explained how the school council operates and went through a few guidelines and reminders in order that the council can be effective. He pointed out that the council members had been elected and each meeting they would get chance to raise issues from their year group. However, Mr Jones explained that there were normally a few questions that he had where he would like the views of the school council.
- 2 Mr Jones went through a number of events which were coming up including; House Cross Country, Class Assembly, Eco Group, Girls Football, Pantomime, Maths and English Days, Y1/2 Christmas Trip, Swimming at The Sands, He asked the council their opinion about Christmas – a production may be possible at Caldew this year for Infants? Toby asked if we were doing ‘the thing with oranges’. Mr Jones would look into a Christingle Service, maybe at St James’ Denton Holme. He also explained to those in Y5/6 that the residential to Liverpool had been booked.
- 3 Mr Jones would update the School Council photo board in the next week or so with the new council members.
- 4 Mr Jones then explained that he had asked representatives from a couple of firms to come to school to give prices for new fixed play equipment. Outdoor gym equipment. The first of whom was due to come tomorrow. He showed a catalogue of the sort of equipment and there was much excitement. This would be discussed further next meeting.
- 5 Mr Jones gave each of the school councillors a badge that was theirs for the year to show that they were in the school council. All wanted to put theirs on.
- 6 The rest of the meeting was taken up with suggestions from the children:
  - Toby reported that some boys in his class would like more ‘Diary of a Wimpy Kid’ books in the library
  - Jessi Grice says they need whiteboard rubbers in Y5/6. Others urged her to use her hand/sleeve. Mr Jones is convinced there are lots of whiteboard rubbers in the art cupboard.
  - Eloise would like a rota for the goals at playtime. With more girls playing football, this might be needed. Riley said that the girls use the goals at afternoon play anyhow. Mr Jones would speak to Fiona about this.
  - Alex would like new play equipment but stressed that children need to look after it more. Mr Jones has new play equipment and was wondering when to issue it.
  - Farrah would like a real Christmas tree. A discussion followed about possibly going to choose a Christmas tree and get it chopped down. This

happened years ago when 6 children from Y2 went to Cumwhinton with Mr Jones to choose one. Mr Jones would look into it for this year.

- Elliott would like a class pet. The council thought that there may be problems with allergies and looking after at holidays. Mr Jones thought a way around this would be to get a firm like 'Kingdom of Animals' to come in to school with unusual animals.
- India asked whether school would be having a Hallowe'en Party. With two weeks to go before half term Mr Jones felt it was unlikely this year sadly.
- Thomas would like to go on a bug hunt.
- Bradley would like a trampoline.

*Mr Jones would consider all of the above for the next meeting!*

Next Meeting: Thursday November 3rd  
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