




"Using our God-Given Talents" 

Bourne Abbey C of E Primary Academy
Student Council
Minutes of Meeting 5 - held on 17.04.24.

Distribution:

All Classes, Senior Leadership Team (SLT), Mrs Anderson (Co-ordinator), Mrs Bates, Mrs Parsons, Ms Davey (BEPPA), Mrs Jordan (CSW), PTFA

Present:

Mrs Anderson, Councillors (see register)

1. Apologies and welcome:

Mrs Anderson opened the meeting and welcomed all.
Apologies from Seb.

2. Meeting Feedback:

- How does the character trait of integrity fit in with our values as a school?
"We keep trying to do the right thing; that helps us be the best that we can be." "We are honest and good; we can trust each other." "We know the rules and values apply to everyone." "I pick up litter even when no one is watching." "It helps us with social skills." "It helps with our learning and the 3 Rs link to integrity." "It helps us to expand our bond with others."
- KS1 had looked in their playground and decided that they have enough seating.
- Inspirational quotes: lots of these so watch this space!!
- School improvement ideas in AOB.

3. Bench update:

Casey, Hayden and Rebecca wrote a lovely letter to the PTFA and as a result, the PTFA had contacted Bourne Lions who have agreed to a very generous donation 😊 Well done, letter writers! This means that we should have enough to provide high quality seating on the tiger mulch and around the tree.

4.Red Nose Day total: Taken from the thank you email from Lenny Henry – amazing total, well done to all of you and your families!

You just donated £440.1 to Comic Relief, and the impact of your generosity this Red Nose Day will be felt in the UK and around the world. Thank you so much.



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5. Student Questionnaires:

This item was presented first to Student Council and to the Equality Ambassadors to enable them to vote on behalf of their classes.

The proposal was put to the children: Should the requirement to state your gender be removed from the Pupil Questionnaires?

After a short debate with some very eloquent arguments for and against, the vote was taken with the results being as follows:

FOR: 17

AGAINST: 4

DON'T KNOW: 1

Councillors and Ambassadors were asked to check with their classes that they agreed with the way they had voted, and any classes that overturn the decision of their representative is to let Mrs A know as soon as possible. However, the decision in the room was overwhelmingly in favour of removing the requirement to state one's gender on the Pupil Questionnaires.

6. Interview Panel:

Always our favourite job to do! We drew names out of a pot to decide who would attend Elsea Park next week for the job of interviewing teaching candidates. The successful 3 are:

Rebecca Zheng, Eva Heppell and Caelan McGurk.

If there is the opportunity to take more children, Mrs A will draw those from a pot and let the successful candidates know!

Any Other Business – School Improvement Ideas:

Talent Show, fun run, Harry Potter Day, Kindness Day, more swimming, longer Golden Times, more planted areas in KS2, more hula hoops, volleyballs, footballs, basketballs etc. Also, a couple of H and S issues were raised that Mrs A will take to staff meeting – the astroturf around the exercise equipment is saggy and gets waterlogged and the fences in the KS2 playground are in need of repair.

Meeting closed at 2:20pm


Next meeting proposed date Thursday 9th May

@1:30pm in the library.



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Class Meeting Agenda:

1. Thank your class for their response to the last character education question.

Ask the new one:

"Why is it important to have and to show empathy?"

2. Look at the school improvement ideas and decide which you think we should prioritise. Make a top 3!

3. Any school improvement ideas (please check your suggestion box and select three ideas to bring to the next meeting.)

Remember, if you are having trouble leading your meeting, ask your teacher to help; they will contact your buddy who will come and help you 😊

Action log:

- Israel and Hayden to ask Mrs Cherry about having the basketball nets back up.
- Bring any responses to the next meeting on post-it notes to help Mrs A, please and thank you!!



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