

Minutes of the School Council meeting held on 22nd November, 2016

Agenda

1. Reports from Committees
2. What have we learned from Anti-bullying Week?*
3. Anti-bullying Policy
4. Feedback from After School Clubs*
5. School building and grounds
6. School diary
7. Date and time of next meeting

1. The Anti-Bullying Committee had discussed the recent anti-bullying week in School and how it could be improved further next year. They thought there could be special visitors such as Ben Smith and there should be an Assembly organised and led by the School Council. The Health and Safety Committee agreed they would carry out a review of the work of the Online Safety Committee and would talk to Mrs. Oldale about that. The Personnel Committee had met to interview pupils for the positions of e-cadets.

2. The School Council agreed that Anti-Bullying Week had been clear about the message of telling an adult when there are problems. It had reminded children of what bullying is and the types of bullying there are. The Council thought the workshop with Springwell students and the visit of Peak FM radio had been good. All members said there was no bullying at Calow Primary at the moment. The Chair of the Council said, "our Headteacher does not tolerate bullying."

3. The School has been looking at its Anti-Bullying Policy. It was thought there should be a child friendly version like there is for Online Safety. Mrs. Oldale will be devising a draft policy in consultation with the School Council.

4. There were many positive comments about after school clubs. The Council said the most popular were Film Club and Athletics Club. It was agreed that the many sports clubs were fun but also good for healthy living. There was comment that only Y5 and Y6 were allowed to play matches at Netball Club. Mr. Thacker said he would let the coaches know. The Council said they were grateful to staff for doing the after school clubs in their own time.

5. Mr. Thacker explained there will be work done for new toilets in Key Stage One; a new Reception outer door; repainted windows in Nursery and Reception; re-roof of the School; and painting of classrooms and new carpets. All of these works had been approved by Governors and a start date will happen soon (subject to the weather). The community garden and play fort had been completed at a cost of £12,000 in total.

6. Some key dates in the School diary were shared including the enthronement of the Young Bishop on 9th December by the Bishop of Repton.

7. The next meeting will be on 17th January 2017 at 1.00 p.m.