

## School Council Minutes Wednesday 17 October 2018

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### Present:

Mr Mazza and Mrs Furniss

Yr 1 ~ Diamond, Moonstone, Sapphire

Yr 2 ~ Aquamarine, Turquoise, Tanzanite

Yr 3 ~ Jade, Coral, Amber

Yr 4 ~ Emerald, Onyx, Ruby

Yr 5 ~ Amethyst, Sunstone, Topaz

Yr 6 ~ Quartz, Peridot, Zultanite

### Matters Arising from the Last Meeting

**Charities:** The reps handed in their voting forms and the charity voted for by the majority was Help for Heroes. The school council shall raise money for both Help for Heroes and Heart of Kent Hospice.

Term	Date	Charity	What's Happening?
Term 1	28.09.18	MacMillan Coffee Afternoon	Cake Sale and LPS Bake Off
Term 1	05.10.18	Homeless Care Maidstone Day Centre	Harvest Festival: Donations of food stuffs and toiletries
Term 2	16.11.18	Children In Need	Selling merchandise Non Uniform Day ~ spotty theme
Term 3	tbc	Heart of Kent Hospice and Help for Heroes	tbc
Term 4	15.03.18	Comic Relief	tbc
Term 5	tbc	Fund Raising for the School	tbc
Term 6	tbc	Guide Dogs for the Blind	tbc

**Children in Need:** The council looked at the Children in Need merchandise for this year and unanimously agreed that they would like to sell the Pudsey and Blush pin badges. They also agreed that they would host a non-uniform day, with the theme being spots and dots!

**Action: Beau/Jade Class agreed to write a piece for the newsletter to advertise this event.**

### Agenda

#### **Safeguarding Summary**

Mr Mazza handed out the school's Safeguarding Summary and went through the points with the council. He asked each rep to take the summary back to class and for their teacher to go through it with their class.

**Action: Mrs Furniss to attach this summary to these minutes**

#### **School Improvement Walk**

Mr Lacey invited the council to carry out a "School Improvement Walk" to identify areas of the school that could be improved. The council agreed to carry this out next week (Weds 17 October), meeting at 2pm in the Training Room.

**Action: Each rep to bring a clipboard, paper and pen**

### Suggestions from Class Boxes

- **Could the school make a scarecrow for the next village scarecrow competition?**  
*Action: Mrs Plank to note for forthcoming competitions*
- **Could there be more bins in the playground?**  
Mr Mazza commented that he felt that there were plenty of bins but we shall look into this on our improvement walk.
- **The locks in the Year 4 girls' toilets are a bit stiff. Could this be looked into?**  
*Action: Mrs Furniss to mention this to the caretakers for action.*
- **We miss having a music room!**  
This created discussion amongst the council about how often classes actually ever used this room for a music lesson and it was confirmed that it was very rare. Mr Mazza told the council that the school were looking into improving the arts (art, music, drama) within the school in the foreseeable future.
- **KS2: We don't know what to play at break times. Could the MDS teach us games to play?**  
*Action: Mrs Dutch / Mrs Robertson to note*

### Next Meeting

The next school council meeting shall take place on **Wednesday 17th October** when the council will carry out a School Improvement Walk. We shall meet at 14:00 in the Training Room. All reps to bring along a clipboard, paper and pen to make notes.

Mrs Furniss  
School Council Secretary