


Date: Monday 25th November 2024

Present:

Orchard	Ellis, Osamagbe, Esther, Lewys, Josiah, Jesper, Nami, Kalyah, Anwar	Mrs Siddique
Hoxton	Alexis, Draidey, Abdulmalik, Anisa	Ms White
Southwold	Lorenzo, Niah, Myla Marie, Ayana, Oscar and Reef	Ms Todesco

Agenda: Cross Site School Council Meeting

Item	Discussion	Action
1 Wellbeing focus	<p>At the bottom of our agendas, we are going to include a short wellbeing exercise. These will usually last about 2 minutes. E.g.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>Wellbeing Exercise</p> <p>FLOWER AND CANDLE</p> <p>A simple exercise that encourages deep breathing – a way to relax. Pretend you have a nice smelling flower in one hand and a slow burning candle in the other.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Breathe in slowly through your nose as you smell the flower. ● Breathe out slowly through your mouth as you blow out the candle. ● Repeat a few times.  </div> <p>Hoxton: To speak with Ms. Sanderson to ensure that wellbeing exercises are included in the school council agendas. Orchard: Wellbeing exercises are being incorporated before lessons and after class council meetings. This has helped create a calmer classroom environment and has made students feel more at ease.</p>	All sites to ensure wellbeing exercises are included within school council agenda. Examples to be shared in the next cross-site meeting.
2 What is the purpose of school council? What is our role within our school?	<p>Orchard: The purpose of school council is to make sure everyone has a voice. They have a job of promoting equality and supporting to tackle any problems within the school. They organise events and make sure everyone feels happy. Hoxton: To make the school a better place, where everyone enjoys learning and feels comfortable sharing their thoughts. Southwold:</p>	SC heads to email minutes to class teachers. Class councillors to feedback the purpose and role of school council at the beginning of the next class council meeting.
3 School council meetings: What have you been focusing on in your meetings? What else could we focus our meetings?	<p>All school have focused on anti-bullying. Orchard: The problem and praise will be discussed for the future agenda and books in the corridors. Hoxton: We want pupils to share their views on school lunches and what their preferences are. Southwold: How can physical education be incorporated into everyday life and promoted by the school?</p>	School council agendas in Spring 1 to focus around: Problem and Praise, school lunches and physical education (healthy lifestyle). Catering lead from Nourish to be invited in school lunch meeting (Spring 1)
4 Events/responsibilities: What events have SC council organised this year? What could we organise moving forwards? Is there something we could do as a federation?	<p>Orchard: Odd socks day to raise money. Hoxton: Will be considering what we can do differently during the Winter Fayre to raise more money. Southwold: Odd socks day to raise money.</p> <p>Future events to include reading corner/mini library competitions and writing competition.</p>	All sites to promote the reading corner and mini library competition for teachers and classes this half term. Mrs Siddique example of flyer with all SC leads. Spring 1 event to be focused around writing competition using young writers, which was a success last year with lots of stories being published.
5 Orchard Learning Walk	<p>What is working well? What could Orchard improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Engaging displays which have key questions and interactive elements ✓ Calm corners in some areas to allow for reflection and focused learning ✓ Calm environment due to high teacher expectation ✓ Most displays include a variety of pupils work and pupil voice ✓ Well-decorated reading corners (Pine, Oak, Willow) ● All displays to include a range of outcomes ● Ensuring displays are not overcrowded with resources ● Additional resources to be added to the calm corners 	SC to share best practise from Orchard reading corners to inspire all teachers for up and coming competition.
AOB Emails	Orchard councillors email classes on a weekly/fornightly basis, sharing minutes, future events and best practices.	SW and HG leads to liaise with Daniel to ensure email is setup for all sites. SC across sites to be able to communicate using email.