

School Council Minutes
Wednesday 4th December 2024

Attendance					
Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Adults
Owl: Swift:	Sparrow: Reef Zion Kingfisher: Oscar Jerrica	Eagle: Aidan Ayana Starling:	Osprey: CJ Hassan Mallard: Laeth Jahlanah	Hawk: Kestrel:	Ms Todesco

Agenda Items:

Item	Discussion	Action
Actions	We discussed actions from the previous week. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Year 4 spoke to the class about anti-bullying. They offered advice about what they could do if they saw any unkind behaviour, such as telling a trusted adult or stepping in to tell the person to stop. - All year groups checked their classes and saw that most students had a reusable water bottle. They informed those who had plastic bottles that it is environmentally unfriendly and also unpractical as they can get damaged and squashed easily. - In Year 3, they created a poster for the recycling bin to inform students about what was recyclable. They also delivered a presentation about single-use plastics and how we should have alternative class prizes if necessary. This has been implemented across Year 3, with a move away from plastic toys as prizes. - In Year 4, they made a poster with the eco-team about what should go in the recycling bin and what shouldn't. Classmates are now better aware and there has been progress with correct recycling. 	Check that each classroom has a label for the scrap paper drawer. Year 5's to deliver a talk about anti-bullying as well as sustainability.

<p>Behaviour and Rewards</p>	<p>We discussed the expected behaviour at Southwold and what rewards are important to us:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At Southwold, we believe that although you don't have to be friends with everyone, you should be kind to everyone and show each person a good level of respect. - We shouldn't speak over each other, including adults. This is because the message can be given successfully and is most likely going to help you. - We should listen to instructions the first time as it shows respect. - When there's good behaviour, it's pleasant for all and it's noted by everyone around the school. - If we show good behaviour, we are also more likely to get positive actions towards us, such as if we help someone, they may help us when we need it. - We should consistently show good behaviour as we are role models and it might influence others. - Rewards can include educational games such as TTRS and Hit the Button in order to avoid single use plastics. 	<p>School Councillors to give reminders about good behaviour x3 per week.</p>
<p>Mini Library Competition</p>	<p>We discussed what makes an excellent mini library and what we can look out for when we conduct our mini library competition next week:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Having a wide variety to encourage both fiction and non-fiction reading. - Keeping the mini library tidy and treating books respectfully so it is inviting. - Changing the 'teacher recommended' books each term for variety. - Making the mini-library comfortable, such as having blankets, pillows, etc. to encourage students in class to use it. - Having a theme, linked to the reading display. - Having a weekly recommended genre advertised, e.g. modern chapter book week. 	<p>School Councillors to ask teachers if they can change books termly in order to have wider reading opportunities. To feedback at next meeting.</p> <p>School Councillors to remind teachers about the competition and its deadline (13th December).</p>
<p>Next Meeting: 18/12 Focus: Mini Library Competition</p>		