



WEST LEIGH JUNIOR SCHOOL

School Council Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: Friday 30th June 2023

Chairperson: Alex

Attendees: Hugo, Isla, Amber, Prudence, Seb, Jude, Nelia, Sophia, Ava, Martha, Sofia, Emilie, Sylvie, Alex, Grace, Reuben, Blake, Josh and Niamh

Absent: Carrie and Harrison

Agenda Item	Action Points
Citizen of the Week	Councillors would like to remind everyone that nominations can be made in the boxes provided in the Year 4 and 5 corridors. Please remember to include as much detail as possible about the nominee. Nominations can also be made by adults. Those from outside of school should be emailed in to the school office as these will be forwarded to Mrs Carr.
Newsletter	Councillors would like to remind everyone that every week, a newsletter is emailed to parents/carers, detailing all the events and activities that have happened throughout the week. This often includes photos and short films. Last week's newsletter was jam-packed and included lots about the Year 6 residential to Ilam Hall and Southend Week as well as SLT for the day and Super Sports. All past newsletters can be viewed on our school website under the 'Parents' tab. Here's a link to last week's, if you'd like to take a look. Why not see if you can spot yourself in one of the many photos included: https://express.adobe.com/page/ycT8QlkenU0S5/
Suggestions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ It has been suggested that the children should be given the opportunity to choose the songs for singing/celebration assemblies, possibly via a suggestion box (or something similar). Councillors agreed that although this is a good idea, it will also be important for songs to be chosen by the teachers. Mrs Carr will speak to Mr Dunn about how this idea might work from September. ➤ Sylvie raised an interesting point about the Friendship Bench that was introduced during SLT for the Day. She said that although there were many positives about having the bench, it was not always used sensibly and some children felt awkward sitting alone, waiting for someone to speak to them. Other councillors agreed although felt that as there are times when children have nobody to play with, something is needed. Mrs Carr reminded councillors about the Playground Squad but councillors explained that this does not solve the issue as not everyone feels confident to ask to play with somebody they don't know. Mrs Carr will ask Mrs London to attend our next meeting so that these points can be discussed further. In the meantime, please share your thoughts with your councillor so they can be discussed further. ➤ Wet Play boxes have become very disorganised. Some games have missing parts and are unusable. Councillors have agreed to spend time before the end of term to sort and tidy the boxes. Mrs Carr will organise a time and let councillors know.

Meeting Concluded: 12.30pm

Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 13th July 2023