


Outdoor Development Working Party - Minutes

Why ?		The objective of the committee is to steer improvements to school grounds. This was our first meeting
Who ?		Dylan , Hester Higgins, Scarlet Walker, Emily Rowe, Corbyn, Mia, Mr Ben Gowers, Mr Alan Rowe, Dr Helen Williams and Mrs Louise Tuffery
When ?		21st October 2016 13:15 – 14:00
		Where? School Staff Room
Item	Time	What do we have to do in our meeting?
1	0:02	Apologies: who is unable to be here? Ruby. Briefer: ask someone to let absentees know what has been decided.
2	5 mins	All present at the meeting introduced themselves. Children of the school were joined by parent governors Ben Gowers - Esme's father and Alan Rowe - Emily's father.
3	10 mins	Helen Williams acted as Chair for the initial meeting. Louise Tuffery acted as Secretary for initial meeting. Responsibilities of Chair, Secretary and Treasurer to be decided meeting by meeting when all members of the group are present.
4	20 mins	<p>The different areas of the school grounds were identified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Petrified Forest and the Mud Kitchen - behind the Trim Trail The Trim Trail (and Pagoda) Area outside Class 2 Kitchen Garden and Compost Bins Wildlife Garden and pond Sleeping Dragon - outside class 5 Secret Garden and Secret Tunnel Little courtyard - class 4 Lower Playground Upper Playground Ministry of Mud and Jungle Run - area above Upper Playground Cygnets Nest School Field <p>It was decided that the next meeting would consist of a walk around tour for the whole group to re-familiarise themselves with the different areas of the school grounds. Mrs Williams and Mrs Tuffery would update everyone with thoughts and issues of each individual area throughout the tour.</p> <p>Scarlet said that Mr Gambier wanted to make the Petrified Forest area more suitable for the younger children by removing the fallen Beech trees. Mrs Harry Poole was concerned for the safety of the children because the fallen trees were slippery and an unsuitable height for Reception Class to climb upon. The area was not being used as much and therefore this was wasted space.</p> <p>Dylan reported that Mr Gambier wanted year 4's courtyard to be costed for decking to be laid down.</p> <p>Hester said that The Cygnet's Nest was not quiet.</p> <p>Mrs Williams thanked them for their input and said that these comments were important and should be brought up again during the tour of the school. Mr Gowers agreed that comments should be made and recorded as the group walked around the school grounds.</p>

		<p>Mrs Williams then went on to talk about the finances of the LINE budget: The balance of the account was approximately £2,000 She was happy to report that the monthly cake bakes were going ahead and raising anything up to £200 per cake bake. She was currently working on trying to get Tesco to consider Marlborough School as participants of the green token scheme, where shoppers chose which local cause to support. Another source of money to which Marlborough were applying to for funds was Sainsburys. Marlborough had made it to the final stages of the Tesco/Groundwork submission, but were unsuccessful. We were encouraged to re-apply for new funds by just changing a few details on the application form. Mrs Williams said she would do this with the help of Mrs Juory. Mr Gower offered his expertise.</p> <p>Children chose an area of responsibility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hester and Scarlet - Trim Trail and Petrified Forest • Mia and Dylan - School Field • Emily and Corbin - Wildlife and Kitchen Gardens 	
5		<p>AOB (Any Other Business)</p> <p>There was no Other Business.</p>	
6	5 mins	<p>When we meet again what do we have to do?</p> <p>By touring around the school, gather main ideas and proposals from the different groups about their different ideas for improving the outside areas. Consider the most important and pressing issues and their probable relative costs.</p> <p>Begin to prioritise (place in order) the jobs and task we wish to carry out. The date of the next meeting was set for Friday 11th November; 12.30pm lunch and <u>1.15pm start</u>. Everyone was thanked for coming and the meeting was closed.</p>	