

School Council meeting 20/03/2018 – 2.30pm

Present – Staff- Miss Appleton, Mrs Tolley, Mrs Kelly

Students- Sean P, Danyal, Hamza, Courtney W, Adam, Zafran, Meghan, Matthew

Purpose of meeting

To discuss 'pocket money'

Adam reported back that the earphones that have been purchased following school councils decision have been used and are good quality and fit for purpose!

It has been brought to my attention that there is 'pocket money' in the school office for students to use to purchase items that they think will be of benefit to them. When asked what the council members thought the money could be used for Hamza stated books and games. It was explained that there weren't many games for students to use in Willow during break times and that the books were "not really good" and "old".

Books were discussed firstly, Courtney suggested that some new cooking books would be nice to look at and maybe to get some ideas for lessons from. When asked what other kind of books they would like to look at all members agreed that they liked Disney, we had a discussion about whether it was age appropriate. We talked about how not all Disney was animated. Things like High School Musical, which Sean is a fan of, and some recent remakes like Maleficent have no animations in them at all and are very popular. We concluded that Disney covers all age ranges and that most students would be interested to look at books from Disney during their recreation time.

Zafran suggested magazines would also be a good idea. He said he likes "boys ones" about cars and Adam said that he liked football ones. Courtney stated that she likes "girls ones" to which Meghan agreed and said they do some nice pet ones. After much discussion it was decided that to build up a varied collection of relevant magazines they would need to be purchased over time, it was suggested that one of the groups that access the community either on a Monday or Friday could maybe get a couple of magazines per week. I said that I would liaise with staff to try and arrange this.

Finally we briefly discussed games that could be purchased. Zafran suggested cards however apparently there are already playing cards which Mr Alma uses regularly with students. Courtney suggested matching cards so that it was a different type of card game. Meghan agreed that cards was a good idea as you can easily "get the wheelchair people to join in with card games".

Members were asked to feedback to classes and attend the next meeting with any other suggestions of games that may be suitable.

Meeting closed 2.54PM