## School Council Meeting Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019 10am in HT's office with Mrs Hudson

#### 1) Welcome to the new class representatives

Hello to Mrs Forshaw (Governor School Council Champion) Mrs Hudson congratulated the new School Council representatives on their honourable role!

#### 2) The role of School Council representatives

Mrs Hudson explained that this is a very important job as it is a way for pupils of our school to voice their opinions and concerns so that we can sort out any problems, hear from the pupils themselves, and thus make a positive contribution to the school.

She further said that representatives are here to present the views of the whole year group/class, not just their view, and will need to explain the discussions and decisions to their year group/class at appropriate times agreed with the class teacher.

Mrs Hudson will type up what has been discussed at each School Council meeting, these are called 'minutes'. These minutes will be displayed on the School Council noticeboard in the front entrance of the school and put up on our website.

## 3) Signing of the School Council contract

Mrs Hudson, as Headteacher will listen to the views of the pupils via the representatives and do all she can to sort out any problems or concerns. She will also ask upon the representatives to be role models for the school, and any duty or decision made together will need to be followed through, with the representatives at the helm to lead the rest of the pupils. Mrs Hudson and each representative signed the contract.

## 4) The School Council information board

Information about the School Council and its meetings is in the front entrance hall outside the office – a list of the School Council representatives, their photo and agenda/minutes of meetings will be displayed there.

# 5) Our School Charter

All classes have spent time together on writing up a list of what pro-social and pro-learning behaviours everyone should show in order for everyone to:

a. Feel safe in their class; b. Feel happy in their class; c. Be able to learn at their best and achieve well in their class.

Discussions were also had about how some children may find some of these things difficult to keep to, and so classes are learning about the brain to better understand this and also learn how to develop a toolkit to help gain these skills and manage themselves.

These lists were displayed in the 'children's corridor' for all to see and the reps used these to design our School Charter to present to their classes for agreement. Once all agreed across the whole school, this Charter will be on big posters with classes adding their own pictures/photos of what these behaviours would look / sound like in their classroom.

The School Council reps are going to explain our School Charter during our assembly to parents/carers this Friday. It will also be put in our newsletter and on our school website.

Each child will sign the Charter in their class, which means that they will work with the staff to do their best at keeping to the expectations and will ask for help with the parts they are finding difficult. Our School Charter will be on display in communal areas too.