

## **School Council – minutes – Tuesday 20 March, lesson 1, Library**

Most of the meeting involved going through various requests and recommendations – agreed in previous meetings - with Mr Bennett. He responded to suggestions from School Council members. Lots of different ideas were shared, with a range of issues covered.

Here are the main things that require action to follow them up:

- 1) A number of toilet cubicles have broken locks. Mr Bennett will follow up getting new locks where they are needed. In an assembly it will be explained how much the locks cost and the importance of everyone respecting the school environment.
- 2) There was also discussion about access to soap in the toilets. Mr Bennett agreed to follow this up and check that there are no ongoing problems.
- 3) A number of suggestions to do with food and the dining hall were made. Mr Bennett will enquire if it's possible to offer chips *without* salt as an option (on Fridays). Other suggestions – like getting rid of having to pay for ketchup – are not practical for reasons of cost.
- 4) We discussed possible new yard equipment, which Mr Bennett will look into (and report back in the summer term). There was also discussion about what to do with the outdoor stage area.
- 5) A number of ideas about lockers and managing the locker areas (and movement around them) were discussed. We will return to this in a future meeting.

A few other things were discussed in the meeting:

- We agreed how to decide which charities to raise money for on the Sponsored Walk. School councillors will discuss with their Head of Year a number of options and create a shortlist. This will then be voted on by pupils in that year group.
- We will do assemblies in May, just after SATs week, to report back on School Council.
- We will check if footballs/basketballs are being ordered for break and lunch time use, as previously agreed.

The next School Council meeting will be in the Library on Wednesday 25 April, lesson one.