

School Council minutes – Tuesday 12 November 2019

Minutes recorded by Alex and collated by Mr Snowdon.

- Reps who took part in the Tyne Community Launch Trust launch day talked about what happened, including discussions about what pupils feel is important for the direction of our schools. There are plans for a Trust-wide conference of School Council reps at some stage.
- Thank you to Y5 reps, who sold poppies and other Remembrance items. The British Legion now has the money raised and will let us know the fundraising total.
- Children in Need is on Friday and Y8 and Y7 reps will be helping run stalls and activities at break and lunch times.
- Jasmine and Emma will look into updating the display board with Mrs Clark.
- There is already a Y5 suggestion box (for pupils' suggestions/ideas for School Council) and Chloe and Olivia in Y6 will sort out a new Y6 suggestion box.
- The Outright project, run by Unicef UK, has been launched through assemblies and will be happening in PSHE lessons. It is linked to our rights respecting schools agenda. All reps were given a little booklet containing all the rights.
- Some suggestions were shared by reps. We will return to these next time. They were to do with either lunchtime clubs, talent shows/discos or food options.
- We divided into two groups for some discussion. One group discussed house points and the other group discussed outdoors equipment. We will return to the second of these topics next time as a whole School Council, but what was agreed about house points is below. Mr Lakey listened to the house points discussion and will take suggestions to the next management meeting for approval.

House Points:

- The general rule for rewarding work is: 3 HP is excellent, 2 HP is very good and 1 HP is quite good.
- These HPs (on the 1-3 scale) can be awarded for class work that is marked, for homework, or for work during the lesson like a piece of group work.
- 1 HP might also be given for a good answer or verbal contribution, for kind or helpful behaviour, or for being one of the first to finish a task.
- HPs should NOT be awarded for simply doing what is expected or for routine help e.g. handing books out, etc.
- 5 HPs should be awarded for something truly exceptional. The 10 HP card is only for accumulated house points. (nobody should receive 10 HPs for a single piece of work).