

Craigmarloch School Student Council Meeting

Date: 17th January 2014

Present: Angelina (S1); Kieran (S2); Brandon (S2/3); Lauren (S2/6); Alicia (S3); Georgia (S4;) Andrew (S4/5); Connor (S5); Elizabeth S6) & Mrs Medinelli, Mrs Boyle

Apologies: Christopher (S3)

Mrs Medinelli welcomed the new Student Council (SC) Reps and those present introduced themselves. Mrs Medinelli gave out the SC leaflets and explained the duties and responsibilities of SC members and the importance of putting forward the opinions, ideas and concerns of their classes.

3 Items from class representatives

S1: Would like towel holders in classrooms: **These have been ordered**

S2: Would like:

1. Use of the Big football pitch: This is being timetabled and Mr Byrne will organise use when times become available. **Mr Byrne is negotiating this**
2. Drainage problem in MUGA causing puddles to form.
3. Decorative stones are spreading into the pitch. Is it possible to put a barrier up to prevent this?
4. Wifi for I pads. Mrs Medinelli explained the security issues which prevent this being available. There is a pilot scheme going on in Inverclyde and IT will see how that works. **At present this is still not available**

S3: Would like:

- 1 A school show in the Summer Term. The Leadership Team (LT) will decide. **No decision**

S4: Would like:

1. Bigger lunch portions: Mrs Boyle reported that this is being discussed by LT and Catering staff. **This has been dealt with**
2. Salad items to be offered separately as some pupils do not like to see it all mixed up. **Items are separated into different bowls now**
3. A Walking Club at lunchtimes: Mrs Boyle agreed that this could go ahead. Mrs Medinelli will see Learning Assistants to see if they could take this on board. **Mrs Bissell & Mrs Laverty will do this on Thursday lunchtimes. Please see them if you want to take part.**
4. Use of the Pool: It was explained that training has to take place before the pool can be used. Use has not yet been decided.
5. To know if we are going to have Eco Monitors. This has to be decided by LT
6. Secondary classes to have a class fob so that if appropriate pupils can move around the school. **This is being considered**
7. An after school football club. **Hopefully this will be started again soon**
8. Football team training at Friday Activities. **Team will train then**

S5: Would like

- 1 To know if they can bring mobile phones into school to use at break/lunch times. It is Inverclyde Policy that this is not allowed.
- 2 To use the Lifeskills Room as a Common Room so that they can make tea, toast, lunch etc. The Lifeskills Room is to be used by S6 as their Common Room
- 3 Registration time back. The SC were consulted and most pupils agreed that this would be better as they liked to go over their timetable and any changes first thing in the morning. Mrs Boyle explained the reason for the 9am start: it is so that our class times are the same as Port Glasgow & St Stephen's schools.
- 4 Adult ties. **Adult ties to be ordered**
- 5 To know if there are any other school uniform items available. Items are available from www.schoolwearmadeeasy.com

- 6 A fishtank. LT will be consulted. **Mrs Stewart thinks this is a good idea. Where it should be put will have to be considered**
- 7 More footballs for use in the MUGA/playground. Mrs Medinelli will meet with LT to decide if a Budget could be available for buying items requested. **Budget not decided**
- 8 Would like computer websites to be made available. Mrs Medinelli agreed that some good websites can suddenly be blocked. Mrs Medinelli can ask for sites to be unblocked. If a member of staff would like access to particular websites they can inform Mrs Medinelli and she will put in a request form to IT department.

S6: Would like:

1. An extended lunch for senior pupils. Pupils would like to have the privilege of going to lunch 5 minutes earlier. This would help to move the lunch service on a bit faster. LT will decide. **Service is much quicker now that rota is in place**
2. To know when the Café is starting. Mrs Medinelli informed SC that this has not been decided but S4 are very busy preparing for the opening. **Cafe opened but name still to be decided**
3. To have empire biscuits and pancakes at the Café. **Empire biscuit are already on offer Mrs Barney, S4 and Mrs Low will consider the pancakes**
4. New Wii games. Staff involved will be consulted to find out if new games are needed.
5. To know if we are going to have Eco Monitors again. It is hoped this will be started again soon. They would also like to have Eco Monitor badges to wear. Mr Evans will be asked if he could make them with Brandon.
6. More Eco bins in school and play areas. **These are now around the school**
7. To know when the Rights Respecting School Group will be starting up again. This is being discussed by LT and it is hoped this will start soon.
8. To report that the hand towels in the holders are very hard to get out. Can another kind be bought which would suit the holders better? Mrs Orr/ Mrs McCloy will be consulted. **The towels are ok in some holders but sometimes too many towels are put in the holders which make them too heavy and difficult to get out. Mr Orr has been consulted and he will try putting less in to see if that makes a difference.**
9. Liquid soap to be put in the dispensers in the toilets. **Soap now in dispensers**
10. To make it possible for senior pupils from S5&6 to volunteer to Buddy Primary pupils at break and lunch times. **This will be discussed and decided by LT**
11. To buy a class CD. Mrs Boyle said classes can buy these and claim back from School Funds. The possibility of classes being given money to buy small items was discussed and also the possibility of being allocated a SC budget for playground items.
12. Music in the dining room. This is controlled from the Janitor's room and is not set up yet. When it is pupils will be able to play music. **System is now set up.**

AOCB:

1. Mrs Medinelli asked the SC if they would also like badges to wear and Members would. Mr Evans will be asked if he could make them with Brandon. Mr Evans will make these. SC to design.
2. Will consult LT about SC budget.

Next meeting: 10.55am, 28th February in Mrs Medinelli's room

Minute taker: Mrs Medinelli