# Broad Heath Primary School School Council Agenda



Date: 24th November 2020

## Years 5 and 6 Meeting

#### Present:

Staff - Mr Patel

Year 5- Aleena, Harris, Lily, Ayaan, Bolu, Ouzair

Year 6- Kiyan, Braydon, Keisha, Adam, Scarlett, Paris

Meeting took place in the Studio where each 'bubble' stayed on either side of the room to ensure sufficient social distance is maintained.

#### Minutes:

- 1. How do you use your Reading Journals in class and at home? How does it support your learning? Have a look at journals with your classmates, are they being used on a regular basis?
  - Record how many times we read at home.
  - Complete reading challenges to help us understand the text.
  - We use the spellings in the reading journal but we agreed this should be a next step as some classes did not.
  - We discussed the questions in the journal to support us being independent readers in and out of school. Some children and parents used it but this wasn't always the case.
  - We ALL agreed that we should be role models and complete challenges or read on a regular basis.

**Actions**: Ensure teachers are reminding children to use the spelling words and reading questions in the reading journal to support learning.

- 2. What does reasoning mean to you? How do you develop your reasoning skills in maths lessons?
  - Agreed that this is solving problems and able to talk about how to solve this.
  - Councillors also shared that it is important to use examples and explain the method to ensure the question is being answered.
  - All children shared they are given reasoning questions within the maths. Some classes give out more. Everyone agreed that it is important to have a consistent amount of reasoning questions so all children made progress.

**Actions**: Teachers to ensure all children have access to reasoning questions in maths lessons. This should also be evident in maths books.

- 3. How are you using the online resources such as: Education City, Purple Mash, TTRS, Mathletics, spag.com (yr6) and Speed Readers etc? What has been the impact of using these resources?
  - All children agreed that the majority of these resources are being used every week for their homework.
  - Speed readers was perhaps underused in some classes.
  - LbQ has been used in maths lessons but ALL children agreed that it is used less in English lessons.

Actions: LbQ needs to be planned and used in lessons by teachers especially for English.

- 4. Review class teacher bricks. How effective are these bricks? Do you know how to earn these?
  - These have been used and children enjoy using them.
  - It is always fun and enjoyable when children receive these bricks.
  - Some classes shared that when they do not receive bricks, they feel upset. We discussed this and all agreed that perhaps some classes need to work harder to gain bricks.
  - Children liked the bricks that showcased the school's values.

### AOB:

Discussed the role of the School Councillor and what skills are needed for this. Shared the following are really important:

- An excellent role model
- Lead by example
- Follow the school rules and values
- Friendly
- Approachable

We also discussed it is important to welcome guests to the school and shared ways on how to do this.