



Thomas Jolyffe School Council Minutes

Date: Wednesday 22nd January 2025

Present: Mrs Moore, Layla B, Julia, Albie, Jonas, Olivia, Annabelle and Maria.

Absent: Theo and Briella

Apologies from Donny, Kai and Emily-Rose as they were attending school-led sports activities.

1. Welcome and introductions

Mrs. Moore welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained why some members were absent.

2. Winter Fayre Cake Sale Funds

Mrs Moore asked the members what they and their classes would like the funds spent on. The responses were:

- Outside play equipment such as paper, pens, robust hula hoops, pom poms, skipping ropes, footballs etc**
- Add activities to Corrinne's Meadow**
- Re-paint lines for sports on playground and other games**
- Outside book boxes**

Mrs Moore will collect a catalogue from the office and look at equipment to purchase with the school council members.

3. Pupil Voice-School Clubs

School Council shared their opinions about school clubs from talking to other children at Thomas Jolyffe.

KS1 Clubs

Knitting, singing, cooking, reading, hama bead, technology, research, painting club

Sports: football, badminton, basketball, mini-golf, bat and ball, dodgeball, hockey, tennis, skateboarding, cricket, dancing, boxing, trampolining

KS2 Clubs

Drama, cooking, Rubik's Cube, crafts, origami, bracelet making, art, comic making, litter picking, coding, debating, story writing, cheer leading, lego and homework club.

Sports: athletics, basketball, badminton, rounders, bench ball, ping pong, tag rugby

4. Pupil Voice-Homework

The majority of children at TJ enjoy home-learning based on a theme topic as a type of homework. Reasons given: freedom to choose, could be creative, an excuse to make something, love projects, less screen time, something to do when bored.

Children enjoy using Edshed for spelling and maths and also Times Table Rock Stars.

Some children prefer paper homework as they have difficulties with internet connections. Also, it is visible as they felt some children don't do it online.

Other types of homework children would like introduced in KS1 are activity booklets based on a topic, creative, phonics and maths in Year 1. KS2 would like music, sports, art, English fact files, Maths-4 operations, computing, languages, PSHE and more practical homework.

5. A.O.B

Some members said that they wanted to improve the school dinner portions as they were too small. They were also concerned about the parking outside school as the 'Don't park here' signs were missing or damaged. Mrs Moore to discuss matters raised with Mrs Liversidge.

6. Thanks

Mrs Moore thanked everyone for coming and for sharing their ideas and thoughts.

Date of next meeting to be confirmed.