



St Margaret's CEVAP School

School Council

Classes represented at the meeting

Penguins	Puffins
Lions	Tigers
Giraffes	Zebras
Seahorses	Sea Turtles
Jellyfish	Starfish
Dolphins	Stingrays
Sharks	Whales

Date of meeting	2.2.26
Led by	Mr Gates and Mr Lamb (Gov)

Introductions

This was the first meeting of the new School Council. Mr Gates explained that the children had been chosen as representatives for their class. They would have the chance to talk about issues at school and share their points of view. Their class mates can talk to them about any ideas for the school and they will be discussed with senior leaders. After each meeting, Mr Gates will send minutes to class teachers who will then give the School Council reps the opportunity to feedback in class.

The children sat in a circle and introduced themselves. They then met Mr Lamb from the Governing Body who had come into school to talk about the updated Behaviour Policy.

Behaviour

Mr Lamb asked various questions to check the children's understanding of the policy.

Key points included...

- ✓ The children had a clear understanding of the step system
- ✓ It was noted that the consequences were different for EYFS / KS1 and KS2
- ✓ The children could explain what rewards were used in their class. eg. raffle tickets, dojo points
- ✓ The yellow and red card system used at lunchtimes was explained clearly
- ✓ We talked about Friday assemblies and the use of certificates to encourage good behaviour and reward attributes such as compassion, perseverance and truthfulness
- ✓ There was some discussion about a few pupils getting away with low level poor behaviour which the teachers hadn't seen
- ✓ It was generally agreed that behaviour has improved since the introduction of the new policy
- ✓ The children agreed that improved behaviour in class made it easier to focus on their learning
- ✓ Mr Lamb asked the children if they felt safe in school. Some pupils talked about being anxious and managing their own emotional needs. It was agreed that the school was certainly not a dangerous place and everyone said they would talk to adults if they had worries or concerns

Badges

The children were thanked for their contributions and the sensible way in which they approached the first meeting. They were given their School Council badges to wear with pride.

Next meeting

Provisionally scheduled for Wednesday 25th February 2025 at 1.20pm with a focus on pupil wellbeing.