The Multi School Council Minutes Monday 9th February 2015 10:30 – 11:45 (MFS SCHOOL)

In Attendance

The Rolph School Shorefields The Colne Community School Active Essex Project Ability Market Field School

Apologies

The Gilberd School

Minutes

10:40

The first council meeting of 2015 got started and it was great to see the Rolph School in attendance for the first time, great work there from Shorefields to get them involved! Building on this, Shorefields were the only school that successfully completed some posters which are ready to be used and circulated throughout the local area. The plea from me was for more schools to create some posters that can raise the profile on the multi-schools council.

10:45

We then moved on to the launch of the brand new Multi schools council website page. The address is: www.multischoolscouncil.org.uk. The council had a look at each page plus the council video and were asked to discuss their thoughts about how it looked and any improvements that could be made. Constructive feedback has gone back to the website designers and appropriate changes will be made.

11:10

Linking into the school website the council then discussed finalising ideas for a council logo which is seen as an important trade mark for the council. There were some wonderful ideas including:

- Taking a piece from each schools logo to create our own (Colne)
- A man in a wheelchair and another standing high fiving (Rolph)
- Include words and dark blue colour (MFS)
- Heart or tree shaped (Shorefields)

These ideas will be taken into consideration by the website designers who should have something for us in the coming weeks.

11:20

A key focus on the meeting was deciding what sports each school would help support at this summer's specialist school games. All the events were read out and below is a breakdown of each event and how many young leaders from each school that will be involved:

- Wheel Chair Basketball 4 young leaders, Philip Morant
- Swimming 10 young leaders, 2 Rolph School + 8 Gilberd
- Handball 4 young leaders, Colne
- Kwick Cricket 3 young leaders, Rolph School
- Basketball 8 young leaders, 6 Colne + 2 Market Field
- Athletics 16 young leaders, 10 Colne + 6 Rolph
- New Age Kurling 8 young leaders, 6 Gilberd + 2 Shorefields
- Table Tennis 6 young leaders, 4 Philip Morant + 2 Market Field
- Table Cricket 6 young leaders, 4 Rolph School + 2 Gilberd

The 65 young leaders will play a crucial role in supporting the smooth running of the games and active Essex/project ability will be visiting schools prior to the games taking place, with myself liaising with each school. Following from the events discussion we spoke about who the council would like to invite in terms of 'special guests'. The council came up with an exciting list including the likes of Ellie Simmonds, OllyMurs, David Walliams, Tanni-Grey Thompson and a princess! Each guest will be written to prior to the event and we can only cross our fingers! Active Essex pointed out that they have many sporting contacts and there will be a fantastic list of inspirational guests.

11:30

This was the chance of a small break and the opportunity to mix with students from all schools.

11:35

Our final point on the agenda concerned the proposed council tea party for primary schools, following on from the success of the community fair. The council was asked to discuss ideas around what the party should include, ideas included:

- A variety of food and drink
- Board Games
- Football
- Magic Theme
- Fancy Dress
- Challenges
- Music + Dance

These ideas will be considered and a draft plan on the 'Primary school tea party' will follow before the end of the school year with an aim of hosting the tea party in September 2015.

All that was left to do was thank everyone for attending the meeting and choose a star of the meeting. This time it went to Josh from the Rolphschool for his positive input about the council logo.

Next meeting: 1st May 2015