Chelmsford MSC Meeting

7th February

The Cathedral Primary School

**Attendance**

The Cathedral School

Kings Road Primary School

**Minutes**

It was great to see everyone this morning and a big thank you to the Cathedral Primary School for hosting!

First, we started with:

1. Poverty – *What could be done to support more young people in schools?*

The young people came up with lots of great ideas, for instance, raising awareness about the foodbanks so we can donate food to them, so families are able to use it as well as donating clothes that we don’t need. We could potentially do some campaigning as well as creating posters to raise awareness about poverty. We discussed about the sponsorships and non-uniform days.

1. *Vote – Group to vote on our next focus topics from September 2024*

I asked everyone what they think should be our next focus topics from September and this is the tally I have collected from all the young people.

* Dyslexia/global warming
* Mental health/global warming
* ADHD awareness/ transitions between schools
* Autism/ online safety
* Crime/ ADHD awareness
* Crime/ADHD awareness
* Dyslexia/mental health
* Crime/ behaviour in schools
* Crime/ bullying
* Crime/bullying
* Global warming/ preparing for adulthood.
* Global warming/ behaviour in schools
* Bullying
* Crime/ bullying

I also asked each young person individually about why they chosen the topics and it was fantastic!

We then went for a break, and I asked everyone to talk to each other about their favourite animals!

We then spoke about:

1. *How could the national curriculum be improved – What should young people be learning about in schools?*

This topic was certainly interesting to talk about and lots of great ideas from all the young people!

* To have breaks in-between sats
* Practical lessons
* To make lessons more fun
* Less writing
* More lessons on mental health and our wellbeing. I.e., some schools so wellbeing Wednesdays.
* To include role-play in lessons
* Quiet lessons in the afternoons
* To have a whole afternoon to either read books or do some mindfulness activities.
* More lessons about global warming and how it affects us.
* Sometimes sitting with our friends doesn’t distract us, it can help us.

Finally, onto the last item on the agenda: (Including cards)

1. *Board games – What are yours and your friends favourite board games to play (non-electronic)?*
* Monopoly
* Ricks
* Chess
* Uno
* Poker (sweets version)
* Checkers and Chess
* 5 seconds rules card games
* Twister
* Snakes and ladders
* Different version of monopoly.

The star of the meeting goes to Carmen from The Cathedral Primary – well done! 😊

All young people got involved and contributed lots of great ideas!