

School Council Meeting: Monday 19th January 2015

Present: Miss Brookes, Rev Karen Lund, Father Chris Jamieson, All School Councillors.

Meeting Opened at 12 noon.

Miss B thanked all children for attending with their lunches for this working lunch meeting. Rev Lund and Father Chris were welcomed to our meeting and the Councillors were informed that the agenda of the meeting was to discuss the weekly Eucharist Service and how we can improve it.

Firstly, the councillors were asked what they enjoyed about the current format of the service. Responses included:

- The singing of the Grace.
- Watching Year 6 taking part in communion.
- Giving each other the sign of Peace.
- The talk/sermon.

Secondly, the councillors were asked what additions they would like to see to the Eucharist Service. Responses included:

- Children to work on class rota basis to write the prayers for the service according to the theme and Lectionary.
- The children would like more dancing and singing used in Worship- Rev Lund suggested singing the Lord's Prayer.
- Miss B suggested that we hold a competition to design the front cover for the new Eucharist service sheet- making it more child friendly and using pictures.
- Councillors would like it to be possible for all children to go to the front of church during communion for a blessing. Although a lovely idea, staff it was felt that due to time constraints and the impact it would have on the curriculum, this would not be possible on a weekly basis but it will be considered for special services, e.g Easter, Harvest etc..

Finally, Rev Lund asked the children if there is anything she could do to help the children to learn more about God. The children responded with the idea that she could visit the school on regular occasions to support staff in their teaching of R.E.

Actions to be Taken:

- Miss B to organise school competition to design Eucharist service sheet.
- Rev Lund and clergy to set out themes for the services using the Lectionary so teachers can plan for children to write prayers for the Thursday Services. Miss B to disseminate information to colleagues when organised.
- Miss B to speak to staff about Rev Lund's kind offer to visit classes to support with aspects of teaching R.E.

Meeting was closed at 12.50pm and a photograph was taken by Miss B to place on Twitter!

Miss B and School Councillors would like to thank Rev Lund and Father Chris for spending their lunch time discussing the revamp of our Eucharist Service.