School Council Meeting Date: 7.5.14

Focus: Friendship benches

### **Councillors present:**

Year 1

Joseph Apologies:

Sandra

Year 2 Lila Ruby Chase Louie Madeline Freya Lucius Jacob Thuvaa Year 4 Ruby-Mae Amber Kiren Darren Sophie Samantha Kieran Year 6 Sam **Emily** Isabelle

Emily Ben Libby Charley

## Whole School contributions-

- Y6 transition area is very small (sun shelter). It's such a small space that it takes a long time for children to change and is difficult to keep tidy. Is there anywhere else available?
- Children in Y4 have been arguing over equipment at wet play.
- Wet play classroom for Y2 is busy (60 children in one class at lunchtime)

## Agenda:

#### Feedback from class council meetings:

Benches should be near the other benches

Everyone is responsible.

Should the playmakers be responsible?

We could have a box of toys next to the bench to occupy the people while they're waiting. (The children gave a mixed reaction to this as it could become a reason to sit on the bench)

One bench should be on each main playground.

We could have a rota for children responsible for monitoring the bench.

There could be a sign to explain what the bench is for.

It's a good way to make new friends.

Sign posts to direct people towards the friendship benches

Very positive reaction, a good opportunity for different children to play together.

Only sit on the bench if you want someone to play with – not if you want to be on your own

You could help people on the bench find the games they want to play; you don't have to be the one who plays.

Make sure you're polite when you respond to offers of friendship.

# Review entries and choose the winning designs

KS1 winner: Theo in Nina Y1 KS2 winner: Evie in Discovery Y5

## **Design Arts Evening invitations for governors:**

Y<sub>5</sub> and Y<sub>6</sub> given the task.

Next School Council meeting: TBC