

Student Council Meeting

09/02/22, from 12:00-12:20

Students: 6th class plus one class representative from 3rd, 4th & 5th class.

Múinteoir: Deirdre and Sarah

1. Active School Flag (ASF): Review and Planning

Coaching Feedback

- Initially, some sessions were a bit crazy
- Younger children suggested names of familiar games.
 - We modified these and used new names to introduce new games.
- We had more children at snack and less at lunch, on some days.
 - Children need a balance of structured and flexible activities.
- At first, all children wanted to be in goals for soccer.
 - We were flexible with the plan and encouraged a few children in goals for penalties.

Coaches Ideas

- Time to generate ideas: ASF Leader planning time will be **scheduled on Fridays**.
- Daily ASF announcements: ASF Leaders will **announce the day's activities** during snack time, in both rooms, Monday to Friday.
- Equipment: All children should **return equipment** to the garden bench. ASF Leaders and Equipment Prefects (only) return equipment to the PE Hut.

2. Social Media Strategy

Ideas

- The school's social media 'presence' could be better:
 - There's an opportunity for the Student Council to lead the BCNS Social Media Strategy.
 - We'll begin with Twitter - learning what it is and how to make better use of it for the purpose of sharing our learning from BCNS.
 - We'll begin with a mini-lesson with all Senior Room children (Friday, 11/02/22) and we'll go from there.
 - This experience will be valuable for all in sixth class, i.e., to be able to say, 'I was a member of the team that led the school's Social Media Strategy!'
 - Our aim, at first, is to post more frequently than once a week/month. We'll aim to post 3-5 times per week.

3. Calendar of Activities

- Fundraising initiatives for others: We should participate in fundraising days, e.g., Denim Day for Dementia, March 4th.
- Creative Schools: We have a budget of about €1500 to invest in a 'creative experience'. We're considering a focus on ceramic art — process and product. Sarah will share options at the next meeting to review and agree.
- After February Break, we hope to finalise trips away from school, including (fingers crossed):
 - Houses of the Oireachtas (Dáil)
 - Mount Lucas Wind Farm
 - Cricket (March)
 - Swimming (after April/May)
 - Other?

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, March 2nd, Room 4 (Time TBD)

Draft Agenda:

- **Social Media:** Review developments and progress.
- **ASF:** Review schedule of daily activities and leaders and equipment management.
- **Green Flag:** Discuss and agree the next Application/focus.
- **Creative Schools:** Assess options for our next Creative Schools initiative.
- **Calendar:** Review and agree planned events and activities and share with others.