

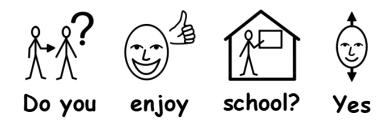
## **Sandside Lodge School**

## School Council Minutes – 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023

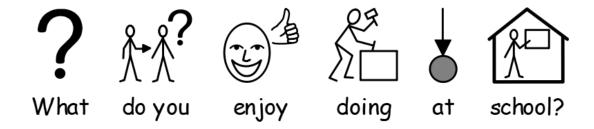
## **Classes Represented:**

Seawood, Grizedale, Bardsea

Thank you to our new Student Council representatives for this academic year. You came with your class responses to the meeting and discussed what you all felt.



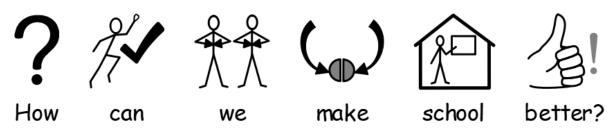
We know it's been a tricky half term for some people. Some students don't like changes, but in September they have moved classrooms, moved upstairs, have new students with them and different staff which is different. Despite that, most classes reported they were really happy in school. A couple do not (no reason why was given) and someone was tired. This will be followed up on with teachers.



## Loads!

Sing and Sway, playtime, story, music, English, PE, trips, lunch, swimming, seeing friends, doing lessons, art, science, having fun, soft play. I like being with my staff members. Thrive.

We like Matt's cooking, regulation and making tents. We enjoy the hyrdro pool and the gym.



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You said	
More trips	We go out into the community when it fits with our curriculum or topics. Sometimes we have treats too. They are mostly put on by class teachers, but sometimes there are activities that are linked with other things like sports, Sing and Sign and careers.
More quiet time	We all need to be aware of when we are being noisy or when others might want things to be quieter. We have quieter areas for you to go to all over the school. Just ask the staff you're with.
More friends	When we put the class groups together we look at who might be a good friend for you. Sometimes you might have chance to share friend times with students form other classes at playtime or lunch.
Bring toys from home into class	We have a lot of toys at school for you to play with. We don't want your favourite toys to go missing or get broken. They're probably best staying at home so they are kept safe.
Tidying up	It's a great life skill to clean up after yourself. Our Sixth Form help tidy the hall after lunch. If you use something or make a mess, please tidy it away. If we all do that it's better for everybody.
Communicating with others	We all communicate in different ways, and for some people it is easier than for others. Be patient and try.
Being caring Helping people Opening doors	These are all lovely things to do for other people. If you can try and remember to do these things occasionally that would be great.
Being kind and happy	It's great when we see you smile and know you are happy. We will always try and help you to do that.
Not hurting people Not fighting or breaking things	Some people get very frustrated or anxious and need help to know what to do when they are feeling upset or angry. Our staff are trained to support them and are working with certain students to give them better options. It's never nice to see anybody getting hurt or hurting others, but help is always available.
Taking turns and sharing  Not having leaks in our classrooms	There are lots of times we might need to wait or share things, and some people may need a little more help or time to understand this.  We do have some faults in our building including a leaky roof. Lenny is asking people to help us fix it.
Mending broken equipment	If it's something that can be mended please let someone know.  Lenny has a book of things that need looking at if you want to fill that in. Otherwise, let your teacher know.
Having big tables for the upper floor lunches	We have a lot of upper floor students this year. We will look at whether we need to order some bigger tables.
Going to McDonalds or having McDonald themed lunch boxes	We'll pass this idea onto Matt.
Having our common rooms back	We were told by a fire inspector that we weren't allowed to have the space outside of classrooms used as a common room. We have said to use the room off Fell Foot as a learning and common room.
Listening to others	This is a very good skill to have. Not only for students to listen to others, but for staff to listen to other too. Practicing this will make us better at it.