

School Meals Working Group

Monday 1st February 2016

KB, NP, SP, RW, JE, school council reps x 2

Agenda

Intruductions

Minutes from the last meeting (30/11/15)

- Noise from Activate - reduction?
- Golden Table
- Displays in the dining room
- Bands
- AOB

Minutes

Items from the last meeting as follows -

- SP confirmed the noise from Activate has reduced.
- Golden Table. The first Golden Table was last week (29th January 2016) and feedback was very positive. Pupils enjoyed the experience and were very excited to have been invited. The group discussed additional ways of making it an even better experience for the children; one idea was to have a centre piece on the table, e.g. a fruit platter. SP and JE will look into various options.
- Initially the Golden Table did not include Y6 because of the time they usually had lunch and the size of the tables (Golden table is 12 noon and year 6 eat together at 12.45pm), however the school council representatives thought year 6 pupils wouldn't mind not eating with their friends and would like to be considered for the Golden Table. This was agreed by all as an additional seat at the table would still ensure pupils were comfortable enough to eat their meal. RW has informed staff of the Golden Table procedure, and created a timetable for staff who wanted to attend.
The school council suggested the Golden Table could be a buffet style lunch, however one of the aims of the Golden Table as well as promoting good behaviour and manners, is to promote the healthy school meals. It was agreed this may be considered in the future as most pupils would prefer a hot meal option. RW suggested the possibility of a hot chocolate drink option. KB will follow this up.
- KB has attended a meeting at HCC Catering department and there are displays available. This may incur a charge to the school. KB will follow this up.
- There will be a Golden Table display board - pictures of pupils who had been invited the previous week would be displayed.
- Bands. The arrangements for KS1 regarding bands will remain as they are. KS2 bands will be given out by SP in the dining room to avoid pupils accidentally taking the incorrect band.

Also from the last meeting it was discussed that a Hull Catering representative would come into school to undertake some work with young children and the use of cutlery. It was agreed at this meeting that JE will spend some time with the younger children whilst they are in the dining hall eating their lunch as she is a more familiar face.

KB asked the school representatives to seek the views of other pupils on school meals, write any ideas down and either bring them to KB anytime or bring them to the next meeting.

KB mentioned that there was an open invitation to parents and carers to have a meal with their child.

Y6 pupils are permitted seconds if they wish, but asked JE to ensure pupils are served and are leaving the dining room on time for afternoon registration. JE agreed that she would not serve seconds if the time was nearing the end of lunch, but would give pupils larger portions if they wanted.

Packed lunches were discussed. A questionnaire to parents is under consideration. KB asked the school council representatives why they thought pupils brought their own packed lunch and not have a school packed lunch. The representatives were unsure but would ask other pupils. The school council representatives themselves brought their own packed lunch, but if JE prepared a sample of the school meal packed lunch they would try it and give feedback.

Home-made soup is offered as part of the school meal packed lunch option but JE stated it was not popular. RW stated her pupils (Y1) were confused by it as it was served in a cup. It was agreed to serve the soup in dishes to those pupils who wanted the soup. Feedback will be given at the next meeting.

RW asked if the school expectations could be placed on each table. KB will follow this up.

Date and time of next meeting - Monday 21st March at 10.45am

KB will invite a member of the Hull Catering staff to the meeting.