

Minutes of Academy Council meeting held on Thursday 11 September 2025

Attendees:

Jo Brown (JB) (Link Director)

Laura Strutt (LS)

Clair Tramontini (CT) (Chair)

Claire Willis (CW)

Faye Gaffer (FG), minutes

No virtual attendees present

Update on the grass area

A discussion took place around how parents can get involved in helping with the development of the grassed area once it is in a position to move forward. It was agreed that once the area was ready a working group of parents would be put together. It was suggested that this group meet once a month to look at plans and the potential to raise extra funds. CT suggested putting together some information in additional languages to help all families be part of the working group.

It was agreed that a script and potential date for the first working group would be put together by CT/LS in conjunction with CW.

CW explained that the The Student Leadership team are also working on plans for this area and have been given a budget to work towards.

Recruitment to Academy Council

CW explained that they would need to have 5 people on the Academy Council. There have been a few parents who have shown an interest in the positions. If there is more than the allocated number of positions this would need to go to vote. FG would look at the process for this with Emma Vehit who is the Company Secretary so we know what to do if this is the case.

Any other business

LS fed back that the new allergy lanyards have been positively received by children. They have their photograph on and therefore the children feel like this is an 'official' ID badge so are enjoying wearing them.

There has been positive feedback from parents regarding the dates for your diary which was shared for the forthcoming year in the Summer newsletter.

EYFS will be running an Autumn Fayre in October where there will be lots of nearly new uniforms to purchase along with cakes and toys. This is being organised by Anne Berry. Any donations to this fayre will be welcome.

CT suggested making up bundles of school uniform of specific sizes. FG will look into the possibility of getting some logo bags made which we can then add bundles into.

CT also fed back that she had been sharing the process with parents around the correct routes for reporting issues i.e. when to go to the class teacher and when to go to CW etc.

At the end of the meeting CW took the Academy Council members for a tour of the school.