

Highfield Primary School

SCHOOL COUNCIL - MINUTES

DATE: Friday 10 May 2013

AGENDA ITEM

Welcomes Chair

Bill for new law - footwear choice. At the moment lots of children are choosing to wear absolutely any footwear they like. From now until the bill/new law goes through (if Mrs Kemal agrees) children must wear correct shoes: BLACK SHOES (HEEL NO HIGHER THAN 2.5CM). SCHOOL COUNCILLORS AND TEACHERS AND ALL STAFF MUST INSIST THAT CHILDREN FOLLOW THIS SCHOOL RULE AND MUST SEND LETTERS HOME IF THEY DO NOT. OTHERWISE CHILDREN MIGHT BE ASKED TO CHANGE INTO THEIR PLIMSOLLS (BLACK) WHEN INDOORS.

Here is the wording for the new bill.

"We, the children of Highfield, politely request that from 3 June 2013 onwards, our school uniform be changed, to allow us to wear any of the follow footwear everyday:

- Any colour footwear
- Trainers (including Adidas, Converse, Air Force, Wedge)
- Roller skates (including roller blades, heeleys)?
- Footwear with heels no higher than 5.0cm
- Doc Martins
- Footwear with laces (Years 3-6 only)

All classes debated. We looked at what the children said last Friday.

Mrs Kemal's response:

Trainers - will allow black trainers

Roller skates - definitely not - as 6G, 1A, 3B, 1I, 3L, 4M, 1L, 5W say "they could be dangerous and there could be accidents" (6G)

Footwear with heels no higher than 5.0cm - no, as present it is 3cm so willing to go up to 4.0cm

Doc Martins - will allow black only

Footwear with laces for all year groups - will allow, but in response to concerns about children being good at tying up their laces, suggest buddy classes in summer give lessons to improve on this area.

Sandals - will allow in summer but must have a "back" - no flip flops !

The School Council said thank you to Mrs Kemal for listening and changing the rule. The bill has now been passed and it will be announced in next newsletter so will be from 3 June 2013, but for Year 6 from 20 May 2013.

Other items

Thursday 27 June - Friends' afternoon event like last year. Each year group will do song/drama and will make things to sell. Ms Ikoloh is organizing with the teachers and Friends.

Next meeting: Friday 7 June 11.15