

**School Council Minutes from meeting held on
Tuesday 17/01/17 2.15 pm**

Miss Newcombe wished everyone a happy new year as this was the first school council meeting of the year.

There were some requests for additional School Council Badges for Jamie Oke, Bailey Gwynn, Skye Duxbury and Hayden Rigler who have lost their badges.

Talking points:

- Raising Money to sponsor a child and send them to school in Africa?
 - o Miss Newcombe has emailed a school in Kenya, suggested by Mrs Jones and they said they would be happy to work with Our Lady's.


ACTION: Miss Newcombe will get some more information on sponsoring and share this with the school council at the next meeting.

- Can we think of ways to fundraise as a school?
 - o List of ideas, suggestions were:– School Fete, Bring and Buy Sale, a raffle, a sponsored run, raffle of old toys, guess the number of sweets in the jar, sponsored football match, netball match – children versus staff, line tag tournament – this may be better as an inter-house tournament, talent show with tickets to sell to parents, crazy hair day, adults to have water sprayed at them with, sponges and water guns etc by children.

ACTION: Miss Newcombe to talk to Mr Meech as to a suitable date when we can fundraise for a school in Africa.

ACTION: For the next school council meeting Miss Newcombe to make cup cakes and bring in lemonade.

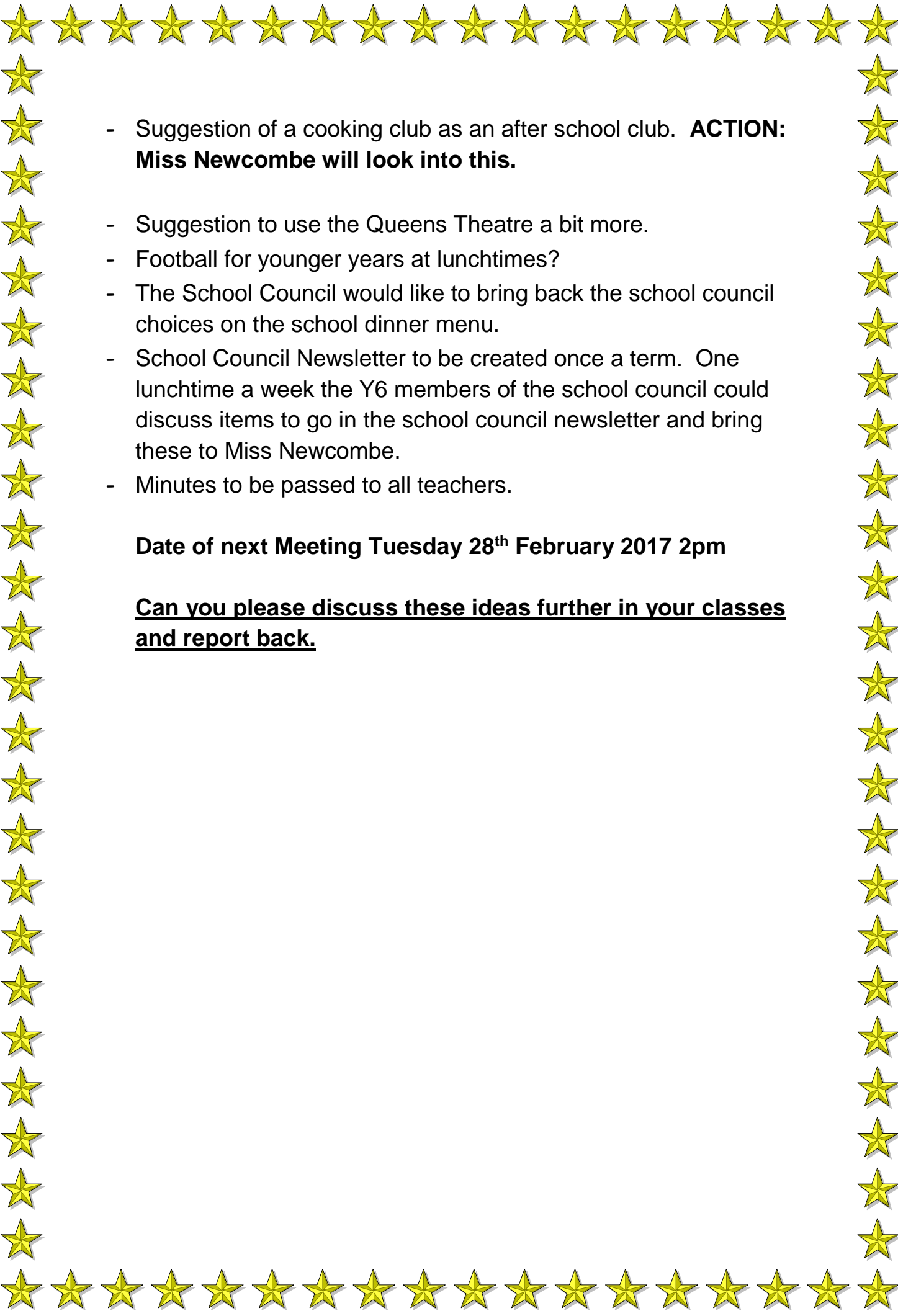
- Additional sports equipment for lunchtime play.

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- Suggestions were:- correct use of the trim trail and bridge. A sign could be put on the bridge to say 'no jumping'. Could more equipment be added onto the trim trail?
 - How could we make sure people look after additional equipment? Suggested that there could be a monitor of that area of the playground and equipment. Timers could be used to encourage people to share equipment properly. More equipment needed in the wooded area. Gardening Club to help to regenerate the wooded area. Perhaps the Gardening Club could do a presentation on looking after the garden to the school council.

ACTION: Miss Newcombe to speak to Miss Mitchell about Gardening Club doing a presentation on looking after the garden to the School Council.

Perhaps some mats could be put out at breaktime. Monkey bars would be a good addition to the trim trail. Play equipment suggested, pogo sticks were suggested, Velcro hand pads and balls, ball and cone games, trampoline.

- School Council (yr 5 and 6) could go and look at some forest school ideas and the school council could then help to train other people what they find out. This would help the school use the wooded area in a more beneficial way.
- Inter-house competition for different sporting activities. This will be raised at the next meeting. **ACTION: School Council to come back to the next meeting with some ideas.**
- Acts of kindness. Possible 'friendship stars' who would help children at lunchtimes if children were lonely or would want someone to play with.
 - Once a week in Eagle class we could have an activity going on at lunchtime to create an area for children to come and spend some time with different people. School Council members will rotate and help work with children in the Friendship space.

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- Suggestion of a cooking club as an after school club. **ACTION: Miss Newcombe will look into this.**
 - Suggestion to use the Queens Theatre a bit more.
 - Football for younger years at lunchtimes?
 - The School Council would like to bring back the school council choices on the school dinner menu.
 - School Council Newsletter to be created once a term. One lunchtime a week the Y6 members of the school council could discuss items to go in the school council newsletter and bring these to Miss Newcombe.
 - Minutes to be passed to all teachers.

Date of next Meeting Tuesday 28th February 2017 2pm

Can you please discuss these ideas further in your classes and report back.