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International Pupil Council **Meeting Minutes**

Venue: Bricknell Primary School

Date: Thursday 2nd March 2016

1. Present:

Mr P Browning	Chair & Secretary, Head at Stepney PS
Bartek, Dominik & Lewis	Stepney PS
Evie, Ben	Clifton PS
Sonny, Liberty	St Georges PS
Ksawery, Regan	Pearson PS
Ryan, Georgina	St Marys QOM Academy
Ciara, Adam	Stoneferry PS
Laura, Lewis	Bellfield PS
Ella, Natthan	Endsleigh HC Academy
Lucy, Ryan	Marfleet PS
Sam, Berton	Thoresby PS
Shivaii, Finlay	Bricknell PS
Mia, Bradley	Thanet PS
Mollie, Madison	Longhill PS
Kianne, Dillon	Priory PS

2. Mrs Guthrie's Visit to Sierra Leone

Mrs Guthrie started the meeting with a recount of her recent visit to Freetown, where she met with the teachers and pupils from the IPC schools in Sierra Leone. She had a wonderful visit and had chance to work with the pupils. They had put lists together of their top five places in the world where they would like to visit.

Mrs Guthrie also showed us some photos of the children and talked about the Water Aid work i.e. what are the root causes of problems with water, and what are the solutions and actions that can be taken.

3. Group Activities

The teachers then left to have their meeting while Mr Browning led the pupils in group work. Everyone divided up into groups made up of councillors from different schools. Armed with felt tips, post-it notes and marker pens, the pupils set to work on recording and comparing the favourite

destinations from both Hull and Freetown pupils. It was interesting to see how groups went about it. Some used bar charts with a column for Hull pupils and a column for Freetown pupils. Some divided it up by countries while others looked at different continents. By the time Hull pupils had drawn up their preferences and the groups had compiled their bar charts there wasn't much time left for the session.

4. Water

Pupils had about 10 minutes or so to discuss problems of water around the world. We considered how both too much or too little water can be at the root cause of problems, along with contamination of water. Too much and there is flooding with the results of property damage, sewerage overflowing etc, while too little can result in droughts and people not having enough to wash and drink. Pupils then thought of solutions and actions that could take place, such as digging more wells, sending water purification kits.

5. Conclusion

The teachers returned at the end of the session to listen to the pupils' feedback. We took photos of the pupils' group and the teachers to send back to Sierra Leone. We thanked Bricknell for hosting the event.

6. Dates & Times of Next Meeting

Wednesday 27th April 2016