

MSC meeting  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018  
NORTH ESSEX MEETING MINUTES  
10:00 - 11:30

In attendance

Market Field School  
Doucecroft school  
Holland Park  
St Michaels  
Jaja Books  
Shorefields  
Active Essex  
Lawford Primary  
Broomgrove Junior  
Brinkley Grove  
St James  
Essex county council x2  
Brian Shaw

Minutes

A great turn out to our first North meeting of the academic year which was really great to see! We still started the same way with each child introducing themselves, it took a while but we got there! Our first point on the agenda was the idea of producing some type of song this academic year that highlights the power of the multi-schools council. I asked for ideas on what could be included within such a song and as with last week 2 pupils decided to perform a short song they made up which was great!! Ideas for the song included an emphasis on kindness and love, how we are all different and special, include different styles such as rap, that people can feel lonely, sign language should be included and how you shouldn't just fit in but stand out and be proud of that! Some really great messages which will be taken forward and worked on with our music ambassador. They also want us to approach local singers to help feature on the song, so we will be writing again!

I then gave the group some more detail on an Art project that we will be running which will result in art pieces being designed and going on a

month-long exhibition in Frinton. I will be pairing schools up so that we can all start working on this together. We then covered the MSC walk which will be happening between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019. I asked the children to come up with ways that we could publicise the walk but also contribute towards the funding total, these ideas included;

- Schools holding their own fundraising day's
- Creating flyers that can be delivered around Essex and into local businesses
- Stickers that can go onto food labels that advertise our walk
- Keep pushing social media
- Ask people to do video's about the walk
- Design personalised clothing
- Use the radio
- Have online adverts

It was then time to stop and break for a drink and a biscuit. Immediately following the break I told the children about our mental health poster competition, the idea being that each pupil can enter and then have their poster published professionally, like we did last year with the anti-bullying posters which are now in circulation. We then discussed the idea of a future MSC event replicating older events such as the talent show and the community fair. Ideas of a brand new event included an Essex bake off, a day with different educational choices, an Easter egg hunt, a MSC festival, a tea party or a building event that could include Lego and dens! All ideas will be taken forward along with the ideas during the other council meetings across Essex.

I then showed the children a video of our special school games event. This was an event setup by our lead ambassador Charlie and me have always agreed that we need pupil input to keep improving it!! Ideas to improve our event included;

- Having an assault course
- Rock climbing
- Live music
- Including a range of events such as gymnastics

We will be meeting with Active Essex in December to look at finalising these plans ready for June 2019. The meeting finished the usual way as we chose a star of the meeting and for this meeting it was Harrison from Shorefields for his singing and his MSC festival idea!! He won a banner

for his school! The group then wrote their views on the meeting which ECC collected in, we had a group photo and one school decided to stay for a school tour lead by the MFS children.

Next meeting: Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019, Holland Park