Uttlesford MSC Meeting

Stebbing Primary School

1st October

**Attendance**

Stebbing Primary School

Elsenham

Felsted

Jayne – Engagement Facilitator

**Apologies**

Birchanger

Great Easton

St Thomas More

Happy 1st October everyone and welcome back to a new term!

I briefly explained what my role is and the importance of the MSC Meetings as well as ensuring that young people can communicate effectively in many ways.

First off, we started with this question which were adapted:

1. *The Essex Local Offer – how would you get on there and what should be included on there (I rephrased it as do the young people prefer going on the apps or the websites?)*
* Prefer the apps because it is safer and usually no scammers.
* To use the websites because it is free.
* The websites are usually faster.
* You can use the websites to research into different things whereas the app, it is harder to do so.
* Apps are usually free.
* Having to update apps and sometimes it may not be compatible with phones.
* If there is no mobile data, it is easier to use the apps.
* The apps take up storage.
1. *Banjo Tag line – what could it be?*

Loads of brilliant ideas that everyone has come up with!!

* It’s okay to be you.
* Its okay to be who you are.
* Never stop being joyful.
* Its good to be different.
* Every idea matter, big or small.
* Everyone is different.
* Try your best, no matter your looks or disability.
* No matter what you look like on the inside or outside, you can do it!
* If no one was different, it would be boring!
* Be different, be happy.
* Celebrate who you are.
* Never give up.
* Its ok to be different.
* No one is the same.
* It does not matter if you are different.
* Take every chance you get.
1. *Plans for children (one plans, EHCP’s, medical, any plans for young people) – how could young people have a voice in these plans?*
* To be involved
* To be part of the meetings
* To be involved in the ideas planning
* Write on whiteboard.
* To communicate via sign language
* Write on paper.
* Tell a person you trust to pass on the message to someone else.
* Drawing
* Typing
* To deliver an assembly about disabilities/ medical needs.
* Be loud, not shy. If you are shy, write it down.
* Photobook

All these points are important because sometimes young people can brainstorm ideas/ feelings/ thoughts, it can be difficult to communicate it verbally so got to offer different alternatives for young people to express themselves.

We all went for a well-deserved break!

Moving onto the next question:

1. *Mental health awareness – as a wide group, what would you like to focus on when it comes to children’s mental health?*
* Cyberbullying
* Transitioning from primary to secondary
* Siblings (with SEND)
* Strategies to help you cope with mental health.
* Different ways to communicate your mental health.
* Worry box.
* 1-1 time
* Worry monster.
1. *School SENCO’s – why is their role important and how could they help more children with learning differences?*
* Helping others
* To help those who have joined the school.
* To help them learn in different ways and strategies when they are older.

Thank you to Stebbing Primary School for hosting and thank you to all of you who attended. The next Uttlesford MSC Meeting (or ideas party!!) will be on 3rd December at Elsenham Primary School.