**Upper School Student Council Meeting Friday 28th February 2025**. 2.20pm in the sports hall.

**Apologies:** Jack (Helvellyn), Noah and Arran (Bowfell – but Karen came), Evie and Bailey (Fells), Poppy (Robinson)

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| **Agenda** | **Minutes** | **Action** |
| **Re-cap last meeting and progress towards last actions.** | We had another reply from Tim Farron re: Appleby Road traffic calming. He quoted a letter from the Traffic Director, Victoria Upton, which hopes for the expansion of a 20mph zone to Appleby Road. Victoria asked for more details about crossing from QKS to the community garden, including a precise location using What Three Words.  ‘Book and stuff swap’ date – the idea for a book swap was raised in the last meeting and we now have a date: the week of 31st March. See below for more details.  Certificate survey – everyone participated and the results show 58 ‘Yes I like certificates’ and 16 ‘No’. There were also some useful comments and these have been seen by Rib and Julia.  Council outing – no progress made. It might be too difficult with all the events going on in the summer term! | Ella (Haystacks) to find the What Three Words for the crossing point to the community garden and take a photo of the crossing area. Katy to write back to Tim Farron and Victoria Upton.  SLT and teachers to decide on a certificate system.  Katy to think about what’s achievable without making things too complicated and busy! But want to reward the councillors’ amazing efforts this year. |
| **Book and stuff swap – week of 31st March.** | This will be held in the week of 31st March, on at least Mon, Tues and Weds. Any leftover items will be taken to charity shops. Bring in any item that you are happy to part with – books, games, jigsaws, clean clothes etc. No electrical items. It needs to be light enough to carry. No money involved. The Eco Committee will help as it is eco-friendly to swap items rather than buy new. Likely to take place in small drama room where we can keep everything in one place. | Klayton, Ella, Chloe and Oli to make posters for the event. Katy to write a Parentmail for SLT to send out.  Students to help sort items and set up in little drama room. |
| **World Down Syndrome Day –Friday 21st March** | Karen spoke to the council about how they’d like to mark World Down Syndrome Day. Students were keen to have the option of hats as well as funky socks (to show how we’re all different). Chloe also suggested a danceathon to ‘rock your socks’.  Oli would like to provide music with his DJ booth. Katy suggested having time slots so that no one drops to the floor from dancing their socks off. Likely venue: small drama room. 9.30am - 2.30pm? It depends on how many people sign up! 15-minute time slots? | Katy to check danceathon idea with SLT and teachers. Check idea of inviting lower school classes.  Separate planning document for this!  Students can make posters, banners, sock bunting, and choose music.  Oli to make playlist (someone to make back-up on Spotify).  Katy can make editable timetable for students/staff/classes to sign up for. |
| **Lunchtime clubs** | Karen introduced the clubs list and we highlighted the new ones. The Culture Club with Becky will produce displays for the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion noticeboards.  Councillors took a list of clubs back to their classes. Perhaps we need to add venues and leaders to the list? | Katy and Karen to put list with all details on noticeboard.  Staff to find out details about each club and encourage students/ensure appropriate numbers. |
| **Student Suggestion box and any other business** | Whiteboard in KS3 yard needs repairing/replacing (Fairfield)  Decorate your own t-shirt with fabric pens (Arran T) | Katy to report in defects book. Friends and Family money to buy new one?  Katy, Karen and Becky to discuss t-shirt drawing as an activity in Culture Club or as part of World Down Syndrome Day. We could buy fabric pens with council funds. |