

Mellers Primary School Council Minutes

Date of meeting: 11/02/2015

People present:

Head boy Armarni Walker and Head girl Chelsea Badmos

Year 6: Reuben Hallsworth-Woods

Year 5: Robert Teixeira and Aisha Shanwaz

Year 4: Haddy Touray

Year 3: David Sobiesinski and Samia Begum

Year 2: Alivea Graham and Aaron Singh-Rathore

Mrs Sokoli and Sandra Patterson (Safer routes to school manager)

Agenda:

To discuss road safety outside our school and the possibility of getting a zebra crossing.

Discussion:

Sandra arrived at school an hour before our meeting so she could observe the road outside school. She agrees that there are far too many cars and that this could hinder a child's ability to cross the road safely.

We told her that after discussions with the whole school, our most popular choice would be to have a zebra crossing.

Sandra seemed against us being able to have a zebra crossing and talked about many barriers, including:

- They can cost up to £140,000
- We would have to consult all the local residents. Sandra told us that it would limit the residents parking so they would probably be against it.

- Some cars do not stop at a zebra crossing and the children fail to stop and look, assuming their safe.
- They do not have the budget.

We discussed alternative ways of making the road outside safe, which included:

- School crossing Patrol
- Zig zag lines opposite the gates
- Yellow lines at the bottom of the alleyway
- Setting up some road safety activities in school including; bike ability and an activity called how far, how fast?

Action plan:

- Chelsea and Armarni to find out the name of the company that are doing the school extension. Sandra can then contact the company to see if they could help out.
- Armarni to contact Sandra to find out what safety resources they have and to see if we qualify for a lollypop lady or man.

Next meeting:

Wednesday 11th March