Outdoor Play and Learning Working Party Meeting 1

Tuesday 21st May 2024

Minutes

- **1.** Attendance: Hannah Stephenson, Nicola Coates, Rachel Preston, Viktorija Fields, Sarah Wilson, Amy Legard
- 2. Apologies: None
- 3. Introduction to the core group: Introductions were made
- 4. <u>Site Walk and discussion:</u> We walked around the grounds to discuss ideas including:
 - **I.** Making the area around the front of the school next to the astro turf into a quiet area with small world and seating
- **II.** We discussed the idea of having a swinging seat or swing on the astroturf
- III. We discussed a water area near the new build
- **IV.** We discussed having a stage build for a dress up and music area near the new build
- V. We looked at the current mud kitchen and discussed the development. We discussed whether we should woodchip it yet and decided not too as the children were enjoying digging. We discussed the possibility of small fencing to section it off and how children will eventually need wellies to go in it.
- **VI.** We discussed wanting a music wall on the playground
- **VII.** We looked at storage available and the thoughts for welly storage that can be wheeled out.
- **VIII.** We looked at a possible site for a giant sandpit next to the field play equipment
 - **IX.** We discussed developing den building areas in KS2
 - X. We discussed building a second stage on the KS2 playground
- 5. Ground Force Day- Wednesday 29th June at 10am.
 - a. Build shed
 - b. Mud kitchen
 - c. Stage
 - d. Shelters
 - e. Music wall
 - f. Small world areas
 - g. Sand and varnish decking boards

People to bring garden forks, spades, tools for building shed.

6. Any other ideas or Business

I. We discussed taking before and after photos and making videos to share with children how they should play with items and how they should clear them away.

- II. Items that need to be sourced our bought before Ground Force Day are (by Hannah):
 - More reed screening
 - Varnish
 - More pallets for stage area
 - Plywood 3.6mx3m x 9mm
- III. It was suggested that future ground force days could be on weekends to suit those who are on holiday.
- **IV.** Nicola and Hannah will set up an online sign up form for Ground Force Day.