

# School Food Council

## Meeting minutes

**01.05.2019 at 13.30**

Mrs Hutchinson Catering Manager and Mrs Jones, Assistant Headteacher

- **Welcome to Food Council Representatives**
  - Year 1: Isaac, Chloe
  - Year 2: John and Ayra
  - Year 3: Kingsley and Lucy
  - Year 4: Matilda, Hollie
  - Year 5: Leo, Nicole
  - Year 6: Aamarah, Sam
  
- **Get feedback on Spring menu and new menu for Summer term**

Noodles- children had feedback that they do not like noodles when we had it on the last part of the rota but when we voted in Food Council today, 11 out of 12 pupils said they do like noodles.

Some pupils had said that they didn't like it. Mix up the chicken, hoisin sauce and noodles together. The sauce was a bit strong last time and not so sweet, so Mrs Hutchinson will make it less strong and sweeter for tomorrow.

One person doesn't like tomatoes- but these cannot be taken off the salad bar.

Mozarella and tomato baguette was tasty. Please can Food Council ask their classmates about the Sandwich choice.

Pork Stroganoff- 5 pupils liked it and 2 not allowed pork and 5 pupils didn't like it.

Vegan chilli- Ayra liked this option, but other pupils hadn't tried it. They did like it when they had it in the last

Steamed tuna is going to be used rather than tinned tuna, as it has more goodness in it.

Breaded salmon fillet- some of the children didn't like the batter which was lemony, the second time was with vinegar. The adults in school all loved this but not pupils. Mrs Hutchinson is looking into alternatives for this choice- she is thinking about fishcakes. She asked Food Council for their opinions, but 8 don't like fishcakes and 4 do like it. She has already put in first order for these, so please have a try as these are different from the ones we have had on the menu in the past and give her feedback.

Pupils like the idea of a salmon pasta bake to keep up their intake of salmon as they understand this is an important source of Omega 3 oils.

Feedback on Chicken sweetcorn pie.

2 liked it with sweetcorn.

6 preferred without the sweetcorn.

5 don't mind either way.

Lamb - 1 person liked it, one person didn't as found the taste very unusual, not everyone had tried this.

Jacket potato with cottage cheese and bacon- one person has tried and likes it- they have it regularly. Many pupils still choosing plain jacket potato or one with cheese, so keep looking out for different toppings that pupils might want to try in school, as it is good to have a variety.

Quesidillas were popular with pupils. One person didn't like the beans, but most people loved it.

TOFU- this was popular on yesterday's lunch menu. There will be more options for TOFU on the new menus. ( Amarah suggested could we have something like a sweet and sour chicken could be put on the menu).

Roast Beef or Roast Chicken- Pupils like both.

Tuna bake is popular.

Egg omelette and frittata- like a thick omelette with lots of things in it will be on the new menu.

Pasta salad- Mrs Hutchinson asked if pupils would like this on the menu? It will be put on the salad bar for a trial and if popular it will be added to the menu.

Please could we have more salad for pupils at the end of the service. Mrs Hutchinson will make sure it gets topped up halfway through serving for pupils.

Pupils like the melon and grapes on the salad bar so that you can have a choice of different things. The potato salad is really popular too.

Sandwiches – would it be possible to have the tuna and sweetcorn wrap on the menu more as this is really good.

Meatballs will be coming back on the menu, more like they are at IKEA, with mashed potato, gravy sauce and cranberry sauce if you want.

Giant couscous- Amarah feedback that a lot of pupils in Year 6 class didn't like the bigger version. Pupils preferred the small couscous rather than the bigger one. Nicole suggested making some for the salad bar – Mrs Hutchinson will do this and get some quinoa too so that children can taste this, as it is good for the summer!

Yoghurt- Amarah asked if we could have granola on the toppings for the yoghurt and this is going to be going on the summer menu, with granola, coconut, berries.

Berries can be sometimes a little bit sour, could we have a little bit more sweetness in this?

Orange oat cookies- the orange was too strong. It made the biscuits a bit too bitter.

Popcorn chicken coming back on the menu and this is going to be halal like all the other chicken we have. Our turkey is also halal.

Chicken style vegan strips are going to be on the new menu hopefully. Mrs Hutchinson just checking that we can get a regular supply.

- **New Theme Days – the next theme day is Bee Day.**

We tasted Honey Day Dessert and Vegetarian option today.

**Feta cheese honey peas and carrots filo pastry parcels**

These were made by Cooking Club and they were really popular and pupils asked if it could go on the menu.

- 8 pupils did like it. All pupils actually commented that this was delicious.
- 4 pupils didn't like it. Amarah didn't like the feta cheese. Chloe didn't like the peas. Mrs Hutchinson will make one alternative choice for these filo pastry parcels without the cheese, maybe mixed with quorn and honey sauce to be added.

**Cheesecake with raspberry and honey, and breakfast biscuit crushed for bottom.**

This cheesecake was really popular, but pupils just said that it might need a little bit more honey.

1 pupil didn't like it. She does not like creamy flavour as it is slightly sour, but the raspberries are lovely. She would like it if it was a little bit sweeter and less tangy. 11 pupils loved it!

**Food Council Trip-**

Unfortunately our design for RHS Chatsworth garden was not chosen for this year, so we need to look for an alternative place to visit for our school trip. Mrs Hutchinson suggested that perhaps we go to a fruit farm to see how fruit is grown and harvested and then pupils can do 'pick your own?' Mrs Jones to look into possible places for us to go to.

Meeting finished: 2.15pm