

POW WOW THEMES Developed through Autumn term 2008

Date	Themes for POW WOW
22 Sept	Discussions should centre on the perceptions of the role of Play leaders and Eco warriors. Key Stage One from the experience in the role. Key Stage Two from their outsider observation.
29 Sept	In order to know what the children say about literacy can you ask them the following: Why do we need to learn to read and write? How can we make literacy lessons exciting? Does homework help you to read, spell and write texts? What more do you need?
6 Oct	In order to know what the children say about numeracy can you ask them the following: Why do we need to learn to count, measure and know shapes? How can we make numeracy lessons exciting? Does homework help you to count, measure and know shapes? What more do you need?
13 Oct	Helping each other following some issues on the playground at lunchtime 1. Who do we ask if we need help? 2. How can children in our class help each other? 3. Why are some children unkind? 4. Who helps us when we are outside the classroom?
3 / 10 Nov	Refurbishing our learning spaces 1. How can we make changes to our classroom that will make it seem more comfortable? 2. What can the children do to make the classroom look exciting? 3. What should the adults do? 4. How much will it cost to do the changes we want? 5. What will our classroom look like when it is finished?
17 Nov	Playground experiences 1. What do lunchtimes feel like to you? 2. What makes lunchtimes really good or bad? 3. What do you think about the new roles of Playleaders and Eco Warriors? 4. What do Mrs Marshall and Mrs Kragsskow do at lunchtime? 5. How do children treat the other Mid day Supervisors? 6. Are there any times when children appear not to listen to adults? How do you know this? 7. If you feel unsafe who would you turn to at lunchtime?
24 Nov	Today's discussion is about respecting the rights of others to have their opinions in school and in the outside world. 1. What type of things can children offer opinions about?

	<p>2. Who makes decisions in the lives of children? 3. What are 'rights' and 'respect'? 4. How do you feel about yourself? Each child to complete the self esteem questionnaire.</p>
1 Dec	<p>UN Convention on the Rights of the Child Article 13 1. Ask the children to show you ways that they can express their thoughts and opinions to us if they have difficulty putting it into words. 2. What can we provide in school for children who want to get help from adults? 3. How can we work with their parents to support their feelings about life at school and home?</p>
8 Dec	<p>Our Mission (currently published) "To raise the achievement of all who work and learn in the school through systematic planning, reviewing and developing in order to gain optimum in life skills".</p> <p>We want to make a statement that sums up what Lark Rise is really like for the children and adults and what we are famous for.</p> <p>Can you make a mindmap with the class and then create a statement of up to three sentences. We will vote for the statement most appropriate and adopt it for the new year.</p>

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5 / 12 Jan	<p>Wishing everyone a Happy New Year and planning for their learning. What will be individual resolutions and that of the whole class? What will we give back to the whole school?</p>
19 Jan	<p>What are the most exciting parts of the day at our school? What parts of the day are least exciting? How can we improve social groups on Fridays?</p>
26 Jan	<p>Returning to social group discussion please can you explore further the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How can we choose 2 people to be with in a group and allow everyone to get who they want? 2. How often should we change the groups? 3. If we sent 2 groups to FS 3 groups to KS1 and 2 could we set up different things in each room allowing choice? 4. What should be available in each room to choose? 5. How should we break up the two hours? <p>Please take a vote about social groups 1. I enjoy them 2. I sometimes enjoy them 3. I do not enjoy them Note any comments</p>

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<p>2 / 9 Feb</p>	<p>This week and next the children need to make some class decisions about Red Nose Day 13 March 2009.</p> <p>I have already purchased 180 red noses to sell at £1 each to begin the whole school fund raising.</p> <p>This year it would be good for each class to do something to make people laugh and make some money for the charity. Each class can decide what they will do to sell their events to others across the school. We will suggest to parents that they send in a set amount and each child can choose in which area of the school they spend their money. The class with the most exciting things to sell will make the most money.</p> <p>Some ideas are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • making cakes, • playing games paying for a time slot, • designing a talent contest and selling timed tickets to an audience, • creating a book of jokes to sell • and many others I am sure you can decide. <p>The funding for the things to sell must be generated from the class so they have the idea of giving a donation to make extra funds for red nose appeals.</p> <p>Please can you class discuss the concept this week and make a final decision next week so they can make plans as a class during half term?</p> <p>The class making the most money will receive a treat of their choice (from some pre suggested ideas)</p>