School Council

Met with the Ola who works for North Meets South Big Local.

They are working very hard in our local community to develop our local park, which will include a community garden, a wildlife butterfly area. Local residents will be able to be part of the project and help maintain the garden areas.

School council will visit the park and be able to have a voice in giving suggestions and watching the progress develop.





School council were able to see the new design of how the park will look once it has all been agreed for the work to be carried out.

They were also able to ask some questions which were put together from their class.

Questions	Answers
What is your job?	 I work within the local community to help make our environment safer for the residents and to see what areas could be improved. I then have to complete many forms and bid for lottery funding, to support our applications and see if we are successful.
Will the park be bigger?	 The park will remain the same size, but with many different play areas.
Why did you choose our Park?	 Tantony green comes under North Meets South area, and I know that many children and their families would spend more time there, if it looked more inviting and more to do.
 Could we have a curly slide/trampoline? 	 It is important for health and safety, so we will not be able to have a trampoline. We could possibly have a slide if it is agreed by the council.
Will the park have cameras?	 It has not been discussed, but it is a very good idea, for everyone's safety. This is something I will ask about at meetings.
 When will it start, and will we be able to walk through the park when they have started work? 	 It will take a long time for agreements to be made, and get quotes for the building contractors. Then we will find out when the work will begin, you will not be able to walk through the park because of health and safety.
What will be in the wildlife garden?	 We would like to have butterflies, bugs, insects. Grow wild flowers and herbs. Which could use in our meals These are all good for the environment. We would like to have the families involved to help keep the garden nice.

Will there be equipment for the very young children?	All ages of children will be considered and age appropriate equipment with safety areas. We have also spoken about a bugs area and picnic benches.

Actions: Children to feed back to their class, about their discussion and how the park may change.

Next Steps: To visit the park with Ola and look around at the possible different areas.

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