

Minutes from School Council Meeting held on 16th December 2021

Pupils in attendance –KKa CHa, RHum, MHaJ JEv, JJe, DSm, RPe, CPr, RiaLe, JHa, ROx,

Staff in attendance – BBa, JHa,

Apologies – CAB

Agenda (actions in red)

Welcome – Can I take this opportunity to thank School Ambassadors for their time. As always they conducted themselves beautifully. RPe was outstanding throughout the meeting and was able to remove his own bias and think of the others with the help of RHum.

I am delighted to introduce ROx from yr 9, CPr from yr8 and JEv from year 7; all new ambassadors conducted themselves perfectly.

Outstanding actions from 12th October 2021

Assembly – LC will deliver a breast cancer assembly 14th January 22’ A discussion was had regards embarrassment and cross curricula teaching however they still felt it important.

Covid- 19: Risk Assessment (RA)– reset and recovery

All classes have increased hand washing

Emotion check in discussion in comparison to behaviour reward group discussion

CPr visited a Yr 10 class, he felt his class were not mature enough for a group discussion but he felt they would be ready by Yr 9.

It is evident when speaking to those who do group discussion that it is carried out differently dependent upon the class. RLe stated her class accept loss therefore do not have to discuss, RHum, KKa described their group discussion and how it can at times impact on the rest of the group as KKa is having to wait until another young person accepts their discussion.

BB modelled a group discussion with RHum and KKa, RHum was to disagree which then would have led to KKa having to wait, BB told RHu that she will come back to him and then went onto KKa who was able to have his discussion and go to his activity which prevented a loss of his time. BB asked if this happens, all ambassadors said no however BB has seen this model in class previously.

RHum likes the emotion check in as it allows you to learn a skill of understanding your emotions. RLe was also supportive of this as she has struggled to share how she feels as she has not had that. RPe first felt it was pointless as 1 YP in his class checked in and out calm each day to get it over with and RPe felt the YP was not calm. BB acknowledged his frustrations but reminded him that not everyone understands how they feel and the modelling in class will allow the YP to learn over time. RPe listened to RHu who stated that when you share your feelings with staff you are better able to receive the correct support. BB spoke about intrinsic and extrinsic motivation as pupils did not understand the reasoning behind the systems

KKa asked – What would be the long term behaviour improvement and what would be the best losses system? – Mr Hawkes to attend a council meeting to discuss.

Mr Hawkes to look at the end of day check out – can it be brought forward? – still outstanding

Martin Hawkes to observe some Group Discussions

RPe to observe a GD.

Transition Quad

BB shared details of emails which have gone back and forth between Paul Crooke, Dan Whittaker, Mr Holmes and Lynn Maritza.

Paul has plans – planting of tyres to green up the space, he has already filled with concrete the areas that were a trip hazard.

Pupils are happy to help out if required.

Brave

Lynn emailed staff regards this and reminded staff not to allow pupils to use their accounts

Today's Agenda

Does School feel like it is back to 'normal' following the disruption of Covid?

They have become used to the current systems however the pupils asked about having a return of dodgeball as a morning activity. Explained that this contact is not appropriate at present but hopefully it can be introduced as infections reduce.

AOB

Can all computers have 2 D design?

Is there another pool table for pathways? They are happy a rota has been started and recognised we have limited space.

Study Leave – Lee to share the plan

Crisp Poll - KKa was happy that ready salted won the pathways poll

School Computers – these are slow, not fit for purpose and all computers do not have the same programmes.

Gym – Can pupils use the gym in the morning? KKa

Pupils started to ask about new reading material and this is something Mr Bowen wanted me to discuss however we ran out of time – **to discuss next time.**

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