

# RESIDENTS COUNCIL MEETING



PUPILS PRESENT	23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2018 STAFF PRESENT
DB OG AS DK MDL	NL PM RL (POORLY) LF

## AGENDA ITEMS FROM PUPIL HOUSE MEETINGS

- Full residential Christmas night out.
- Larger beds.
- Televisions in all rooms.
- Building a residential crazy golf.
- Upgrade all games consoles in the houses.
- Full residential activity in the residential rec room.
- Paddling pool / swimming pool for the houses in the summer months.
- Internet access for kids.
- Breakfast mornings.

## OUTCOMES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING / RESIDENTIAL AND SCHOOL COUNCIL

Talent show.  
The date for the talent show is now the 19<sup>th</sup> December. The actual timing of the event has yet to be decided. More information to follow.

Hot tubs.  
SSLT have discussed this at length and at this moment in time it is a no. primarily down to the cost implications and the health and safety risks and the management of looking after the hot tubs and its maintenance.

Basketball hoops.  
PM to discuss with DL / SC the possibility of purchasing the chosen hoops or the possibility of concreting posts in the gardens to play basketball rather than use the sports hall. Particularly after 8pm in the summer months.

Mobile phones.  
This issue was discussed at length at SSLT and it has been decided mobile phones in first activities is a no for now. Mainly down to the issue of first activity is about interacting with each other and building relationships. Mobile phones are seen as a distraction. Mobile phones in rooms over night for pine house pupils was also a no which is down mainly to safeguarding.

Pancake / breakfast mornings.  
This was a huge success last week and we want to explore the idea of doing a breakfast morning regular and possibly open it up to day pupils as well. and staff. Awaiting feedback.

Compost bins.  
Compost training is being scheduled in after Christmas., as soon as this is complete then compost bins for the houses will be purchased.

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## MEETING MINUTES

### Full residential Christmas night out to Barnsley Metro dome.

Council discussed the idea of a full residential Christmas night out activity with a trip to Barnsley Metro dome swimming with tea on the way home. Council thought this would be a nicer way to end the Christmas term. **NL to pass this on to the seniors / managers and ask for everybody's feedback from the next children's house meetings next week.**

### Larger beds in the residential.

Council talked about wanting larger beds in the rooms as some have double beds at home and they thought it would help some pupils settle easier having more space. We talked about the improvements in the mattresses which were recently purchased and the room size restrictions. **NL / PM to pass onto SSLT.**

### Televisions across in the residential.

Council expressed a view that all bedrooms to possibly have Televisions in as standard. We discussed the implications of this which included cost and damage. **PM / NL to pass on to SSLT.**

### residential crazy golf.

As a group we talked about how this might look. Could we make portable holes in the workshop that could be moved around. Can we use them on the tar mac over in residential? Are we allowed to use the workshop to make the holes? Need a more detailed plan. Could this be an activity club making them? **NL / PM to ask as a starting point if we are allowed to use the workshop. Training etc.**

### Upgrade games consoles in the houses.

Although this would be great and what we would all like, we have to think of the cost implications for this, particularly as we know have the residential rec room which has cost thousands to get off the ground and is currently been added to regularly, new ps4 games, fridges etc. **NL / PM to pass onto SSLT to see if funding would be available for this with an ongoing programme of updating the games consoles.**

### Paddling pool / swimming pool.

Council talked about the possibility of having a paddling pool / swimming pool for the gardens for when the summer months come. We talked about the implications this could have and that a much larger discussion would need to take place with SSLT. We talked about the positives of having such equipment to use in the gardens and pupils suggested it could be done on a reward basis etc. **PM / NL to pass onto SSLT for further discussions.**

### Internet access and free unrestricted wifi

Council talked about having unrestricted internet access for games etc. This would not be possible as there are numerous issues related to this. There are safe guarding issues relating to wifi access.

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Age appropriate games and sites and the school are accountable for this. it is also a criminal offence.

## Breakfast clubs.

Last breakfast club was a huge success with all residential pupils coming over for to have pancakes. Children have asked of this could be done more regular. Once a fortnight? And do different themed mornings. Could we invite day pupils across? **PM / NL to take to SSLT for further discussion.**

Meeting closed at 1.15pm.

Minutes by N Leng