

# RESIDENTS COUNCIL MEETING



<b>PUPILS PRESENT</b>	<b>Date: Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021 STAFF PRESENT</b>
JR (Leap) BG (Pine) DH (Hawthorn) AH (Willow)	DG SF

## **AGENDA ITEMS FROM PUPIL HOUSE MEETINGS**

### **LEAP Provision (Maple House (1)/ Hazel House (2))**

- Empty snug to be turned into sensory room

#### **Pine House**

- Pool table in residential rec room

#### **Hawthorn House**

- Need more coat hangers as not enough room to hang all our coats.

#### **Willow House**

- Secret Santa for the kids

## **OUTCOMES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

The last residential council meeting was on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Outcomes from the meeting include:

- Water dispenser is currently a no – However, TL (Manager) will look at water filters for the fridges and will get some jugs with lids so you can fill them with cold water.
- AH has started to do some cooking with TD (cook) for the residential – AH is enjoying this.
- JM and LW have been sorting the residential rec room/house DVD's and Xbox games – which is clearly seen. DG to organise removal of old ones for credit.
- Had Halloween culture night which was a success – good contribution for this. We also had an anti-bullying culture night, also positive contribution.
- In regards to the year 7's being allowed to sleep; I have been informed that currently the extended service is what is right for them at this time and their individual needs.

## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **Welcome**

Everyone welcomed, thanked for attending the residential council meeting and served lunch. BG's first-time representing Pine house, since transitioning there from Hawthorn.

### **Residential Rec Room**

This is the second time the residential council has been held in the residential rec room. Are you all happy with this being the new location to have our meetings?

BG – Yes

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DH – Yes

AH – Yes

JR - Yes

## Culture night

Christmas culture night has been planned for next week by DB; activity plan to be confirmed.

JR – I'm not here

BG – Me neither as CLC is closed.

Discussions had about which night would be the best night to hold the Christmas culture night, in regards to having the most students on residential and to be able to benefit/experience this. The suggestion of Wednesday night to be put forward to management by SF.

## Eco School

TL has registered for the residential and school to become an Eco school. What do you guys think of this?

AH – What's that?

SF – Eco school is about us helping the planet and being aware of what you are contributing to the environment in terms of different types of waste. For example, plastic. How can we as a school/residential better help the environment? What positive changes can be made?

BG – use paper not plastic.

SF – What can we do with rain water?

AH – Use a bucket

SF – Use a water butt, which is a barrel used for catching and holding rain water.

DG – Some sort of compost bin to help better manage food waste?

SF - Ensure all houses have recycle bins, which are correctly labelled with items that can go in them. Potentially have a food waste one?

DH – make a bug hotel for the insects to live.

Any suggestions of how to combat the litter around the school?

AH – Litter picking

JR – Team Seas is a charity that helps clean up the seas and the beaches of all the litter. We could do something like this.

## A.O.B

Discussion had in terms of the number of Covid cases rising at the minute and the importance of ensuring we are still working/living to the Covid rules. This includes:

- Washing our hands when entering houses or schools
- Wearing masks
- Ensuring we are tidying up our own mess and not leaving it for others.
- Respecting people's personal space
- Opening bedroom windows to allow fresh air in.

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Overall – At times students needed reminders to listen and encouragement to make contributions. However, positive contributions made by all individuals with this encouragement, especially in regards to Oakfield becoming an Eco School.

Meeting finished at 13:10.