

School Council Meeting



DATE: Thursday 2nd December 2021

School Council Minutes

PUPILS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
Ty Shipley Tony Wood Oliver Banks Isaac Smith Jake Mason Charlie Foster Morgan Stevenson Amy Hamilton	Nick Riggs Dianne Green (for second half)

OUTCOMES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- Change of name for the football team is not appropriate
- No budget for new football kit due to ongoing issues with damage by students
- Some Y11 students will be given keys for their own toilet which will be in KS4 hub area. JP to arrange this
- Y11 students now access tea and toast in food room during tutor, one morning per week

Damage

Tony suggested that any damaging by students should have the consequence of a stay back, as it's mainly the younger students. Jake seconded this.

PE

Morgan suggested a wider variety of activities during PE lessons, to include swimming. Nick pointed out that swimming is a reward on Friday for those earning points and that it wouldn't be possible to get to the baths and back during a 40 minute lesson.

Suggestions from 3A

Although Stan C couldn't attend the meeting due to a football match, he gave Nick a list of proposals to read out. These included:

-A wider variety of items available on Epraise. The other students present agreed that this was a good idea.

-A reward for getting full points in a week; perhaps a hot chocolate. Nick pointed out that full points was a difficult target as it puts on a lot of pressure, and missing one single point could be quite upsetting. Jake suggested that students who get within 5 points of full points for the week could perhaps get a hot chocolate on a Friday. Morgan suggested that this could maybe during tutor time.

-3A suggested a new name for the CLC building. While nearly all students at the meeting agreed that the name CLC is a good one, Jake suggested changing its name to that of a tree (maybe 'apple') in line with the name of the school being a tree.

-3A have asked for the CLC rec. room to be decorated as it's bland. Ty said that things in the CLC get broken. Isaac agreed. Ty suggested that students stop damaging in the CLC before money is spent on anything new.

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SMSC

Nick informed students that the school has achieved the SMSC Quality Mark Award at a Silver level. He read out the section of the report which praised the students who took part in the verification process (which included Jake, Ty and Amy, who were present at the meeting). In particular, it praised Jake, for the excellent way in which he showed the verifier around the school.

Interviews

Nick informed the council that there are interviews for new support staff on Tuesday 7th December, and that there will be a student panel as a part of the process. He asked students for volunteers to be a part of the process. Ty, Jake, Amy, Morgan, Oliver and Isaac volunteered. Nick then asked for suggestions for questions to ask during the interviews. He gave the example of "Why do you want to work here?"

Isaac suggested "What would you do if someone is kicking off?"

Jake suggested "What values could you bring to the school?"

Morgan suggested "Which year group do you prefer and why?"

Amy suggested "Do you like dinosaurs?"

Tony suggested "How would you help someone who is upset?"

Morgan suggested "What would you do if a group of kids were fighting?"

Jake suggested "What kind of music do you like?"

Tony suggested "What was your last job and why did you leave?"

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ACTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

Students to take part in interview process on 7th December

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