

# Minutes from School Council Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Pupils in attendance –KKa CHa, JEv, JJe, DSm, RiaLe, JHa, CAB, ROx, MHa,

Staff in attendance – BBa, JHa, LCr

Apologies – N/A

## Agenda (actions in red)

**Welcome** – Can I take this opportunity to thank School Ambassadors for their time. As always they conducted themselves beautifully. RiaLe was outstanding throughout the meeting and modelled expectations.

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 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021

### Assembly Feedback

Assemblies are targeted, they fit both the younger age group and the older pupils as the assemblies are adapted slightly in order to fit the audience. RiaL was in both assemblies on the 8<sup>th</sup> October and recognised how differently it was delivered allowing for the age group.

All ambassadors are awaiting the breast cancer assembly that Mr Cross said he would deliver. Although they feel it could be embarrassing they felt it would be purposeful as all felt the awareness of prostate cancer was effective.

*LCr to action*

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

Checked with each base, handwashing and sanitising is happening but not as often as previously. RLe is not sure if the boys are washing their hands regularly but they do sanitise. RLe feels this could be increased as a whole group.

Due to recent changes in the Covid 19 pandemic all classes are to wash hands at least 6 times per day.

### Emotion check in discussion in comparison to behaviour reward

CHa, MHa and KKa visited the year 7 classes to experience check in/check out.

MHa felt that the check in and out is perfect for the year 7's and 8's as he feels they are not ready to have discussion as not yet mature enough. RLe agreed as her previous class were not allowed to challenge due to inability to manage this. RLe felt feelings were a good idea from year 7 as she may have opened up more as she still feels this is a challenge for her. RLe said that they do not have discussions for losses but will just accept loss.

CHa/KKa are happy that they can earn their rewards on a Friday.

Areas to consider – DSm/JJ/CPr said check out take too long, they are getting negativity from the other pupils on the bus, solution could be to have checkout at period 4. Also at times it is hard to say how you feel as some pupils in the morning may have been awake 20 minutes. Some pupils rush this and say any feeling in order to get it out of the way. Same can happen at the end of the day.

CPr to visit a year 10 class in order to experience a group discussion.

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

## Agenda Careers

Mr Cross spoke about compulsory career programme

Year 8: Virtual reality work experience VR headset. Pupils create their own avatar; pupils are able to look at various career paths. If something is not within the programme, Mr Cross believes their choice can be added.

Year 9: Kidzania experience in London, large city where they can experience a chosen career path, earn money for that career and have a real understanding of the profession chosen; Rachel Maybank will also meet with the pupil to discuss options. Maths that link into careers such as tax deduction etc will also be taught in school

Year 10: VR again, face to face with Rachel

Year 11: Mock interviews

Subject lessons to explain pathway

HIP Project

Year 9's have additional experiences, can meet with employers and visit workplaces. This allows pupils to ask real questions such as how much they can earn.

## Transition quad area

Mr Holmes asked for ideas as the quad area is unsafe due to the holes where the pebbles are and it is quite bland. There are also bricks which pupils can trip over.

Pupils would like a swing again in the tree

Would like to be able to climb tree

Would like the area to be more colourful with planting and greenery – although they want it to look more adult like they do like the nurture area to model it on.

**Is there a budget for some brightness within this area and can this be something Mr Holmes/Lynn Maritza agree a plan moving forward?**

## AOB

Brave – pupils mentioned this as some computers had everything wiped off their desktop when brave was removed including their work. RLe said some pupils still have Brave.

During a discussion on appropriate use of the internet RLe mentioned You tube. CHa/KKa said that pupils are not allowed You tube. RLe said that they are in their class as they are appropriate.

CHa did not think this was appropriate.

Lynn Maritza to email staff regards Brave.

*A very proud leader.*

*Beverley Bailey*

*Family Welfare Officer*