Minutes – Pupil Parliament

Date: Tuesday 22 November

Time: Periods 1 & 2

Location: F025 Languages



Item	Notes
Minutes of last	Items pre ordered will be available – pupils may need
meeting	to wait on certain items
	Metal cutlery has been binned by pupils – Mrs Young has requested more metal cutlery
	Management will continue to supervise queues – pupils must call out queue jumping, alert staff
	Pupils reminded to join the queue before the bell rings
	Mrs Young explained why we cannot move to 2 lunches again
	Water fountains – Mrs Young had a meeting with the contractors, new fountains have been ordered, to be replaced by the end of November. In the meantime we were sent bottled water, available at wellbeing centre
	Mrs Young has ensured heating and plumbing issues are issued
	Wi-fi – bandwidth wasn't suitable for the size of the building. We have been put onto a new wi-fi system and boxes installed in all classrooms. However, very frustrating that it crashed when switched on. Pupils commented that it still isn't great in the lunch hall
	Participatory budgeting – Mrs Charters organising a form to go out to vote on this. Feedback from assemblies suggested homework club wasn't best use of funding. £1000 has been awarded to expressive arts showcase and £1000 to home economics to improve attainment

Ambassadors

Sports

Teacher v senior football match 2nd week of December on the new pitch, funds go to WL Food Bank

Commented that clubs are well attended Mrs Young shared that Mr Shipton is looking at participation

Languages

Looking at career opportunities with languages Looking to support French in primary schools \$1 celebration cards

STEM

Working on career pathways board, will include website links to support STEM

Send a video to primary schools with a Christmas challenge

Music

Working collectively with all expressive arts for a showcase – potential to have this as a charity fundraising opportunity

Music ambassadors supporting clubs at lunchtime Asked if Daffodil Tea is going ahead – music department would look to support this event Mrs Young said 6 or 7 acts would be great – could the music department do this? Ambassadors will look into this

Young musician of the year competition brought back in – will focus on this after practice exams to support participation in music. An audience to the final would be good during a lunch time Music department pupil of the month board

Business

Uptake of pupils is a focus

Supporting a course choice day for \$2-\$3

Apprentice style challenge – make a product, marketing challenge

Suggested a video rather than a newsletter for tutor time

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	Drama Practicing the panto for performing to the primary schools
	Tues and Wed lunch plus Tues after school Designer from N5 class and sound designers involved
Rights Respecting Schools	Spoke to Mrs Thornburn in English to see if department can support a Rights themed series of lesson – Mrs Thornburn will attend a RRS meeting to discuss further
	Powerpoint to go out to tutors to remind about multi faith room and promote RRS whole school
	Anthony Nolan (53 sign ups) and Children in Need events (raised £415)
LGBT	Looking at how to support young people when they are coming out Can the training be promoted again as not all staff got the link? Can ambassadors ask Mr Higgins to put this on the newsletter? Try to encourage staff to use non gendered language – promote to teachers
Learner Voice	Asked for tutor time to be removed and added onto lunch time to support queues It is likely that tutor time will be removed – this time will be added on to class time as pupils have a right to a certain number of hours of education More football clubs – once new pitch opens there will be more opportunities for football at lunchtime
	Home economics cookery club after school Smoking and vaping is an issue – more focus on this. We need pupils to report this. Assembly to address this. Include dangers of smoking/vaping in PSE beyond S1
	Celebrate other festival throughout the year – look at displays/decorations that are not Christmas themed. Link into primary schools. Look at getting religious leaders

	Discussed the bullying policy
	Homework – challenging for some pupils to complete this if they have a split home or a club. If this is an issue speak to House staff and this can be communicated to staff
AOCB	S6 can use Christmas dress down day to fundraise for prom – option for Christmas jumper or dress down
	Use of digital technology to be focus of next meeting
Date and Time of Next Meeting	Thursday 22 February Periods 1 & 2