



## SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020

**Attendees:**

Mr O’Connell (JPO) and Mr Willmott (RW)  
 Katie Freer 7DTR, Henry Winsborrow 7AHC, Leah Watkinson-Hayes 7AHC, Oliver Green 7AST, Courtney-Jane Doble 7AST, Jennifer Donnelly 7RTR, Tye Hayes 7DTR, Ethan Duff 8 NMR, Caitlin Eaves 8NMR, Evan Morgan 8KC, Lauren Attfield 8KC, Lyon Andrei 8CER, Jess Andrews 8CER, Christina Reynolds 9NM, Alex Henderson 9 CEB, Maisy Madden 10CCS, Ned Carswell 10CCS, Jago Beveridge 10AMC, Victoria Jeffs 10CSS, Izzy Price 10IHS, James Gibbins 10IHS, Bethany Addicott 10JER, Joshua Dargan 10JER, Jake Forte 11RLC, Joe Forte 11RLC, Harry Addicott 11RLC, Spike Lidington 11EEG, Leah Irwin 11DC, Holly Booker 11MHN, Jasmine Havers 11MVF, Vashti German 11MHN, Jasmine Dennett 11MHN Jess Rowbury 11RLC, Hannah Dorn 11DC, Amelia Ash 11EEG, Molly Faux 11MVF, Niamh Pallett 11MHN, Luisa Nicks 13SV, Morgan Green 13AW.

Item	Notes	Action
Feedback from Canteen Meeting	Minutes from the Canteen meeting were agreed. Discussions on cash payments in the Canteen, moving the machine to a better location, the size of the queues and creating another servery. Proposed a breakfast club to start at 8am.	We will feedback next meeting – particularly on the extra server, and check on the breakfast possibility.
Curriculum and Timetable Changes	Moving from 6 x 50 minute to 5 x 60 minute lessons a day (plus breaks. Lessons will be on a fortnightly timetable – Week A and Week B. Reasons are that most schools do this, and it allows for more flexibility. Will be able to incorporate 1 PHSE lesson every other week.	Mr O’Connell to communicate new timetable structures with all students at the beginning of the summer term when these plans are confirmed.
Support and Challenge in your Learning	Ofsted commented that some students were not getting the support they should or being challenged enough. Is this still happening? Yr7: Nothing has really changed. Support is a bit mixed across subjects. Behaviour is ok. Yr8: There have been lots of changes due to staff changes. Students feel supported sometimes. Some students are sent to BFL. Yr9: Support from teachers in Maths and Geography is good. Some students struggling in bottom sets, and other students messing about holds other students back. Yr10: Lots of cover teachers in Science. One History lesson per month is not enough. Some lessons if you cannot do the work you are sent to BFL. English and Maths support is good. SEN student support and TA support is good. Yr11: Support has changed in Maths. More capable students are being pushed at the expense of those who struggle. How do we support those students who struggle with a subject? Spanish lessons are mixed ability and is a big class. Would like	Thank you very much for this feedback. We are sharing this with teachers and it helps us to consider how we can improve your learning and experiences in lessons.

	<p>foundation and higher groups. Geography tends to be taught for foundation level and not to higher.</p> <p>Sixth Form: Smaller classes is very positive. Double lessons are good. Not pushed in Science.</p> <p>CAL: Not enough structured work in CAL.</p>	
Litter	<p>Most students will be happy to do litter picking, but some will mess about</p> <p>Suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Get a bottle bin</li> <li>• Tutor groups used to do litter picking on a rota</li> <li>• Could hold a competition – before and after photos, or by weight of rubbish collected</li> <li>• Litter picking could be a punishment</li> </ul>	<p>We have started this in tutor time, as you will be aware, and are building in small, regular rewards.</p> <p>We look to get more bottle bins.</p>
KS4 Common Room	<p>The Milk Bar is now the KS4 common room. Students report that the atmosphere in this room is not good. There has been some bullying and other small incidents. Students not enjoying spending time here and do not want to go. JPO visiting the common room most lunchtimes.</p>	<p>We are monitoring this carefully and are looking to decorate it and make it a better and nicer environment.</p>
AOB	<p>Proposed holding a charity event to be run by Sixth Form, such as a talent show. Fundraising to be for a local charity, perhaps a food bank.</p>	<p>We, as a school, are very keen to support this!</p>