

# School Council meeting

11.30am on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019




**Present:** KS3 - Thomas 9Y, Kyle 9X, Caitlyn 8X, Logan 7X, Leighton 7Y  
KS4 - Cameron grp 3, Brian grp 2, Isaac grp 1  
FE - Dale, Kian, Kady, Connor  
Mrs Hurley, Mr Jukes, Dorothy Jones (Chair of Governors)

**Apologies:** None



## MINUTES

### 1. Matters arising:

- ✚ Where are we up to with having Minecraft on our computers? – Following the trial, this is not going to be accessible in school. There is too much risk from the 'live' aspect of the program plus the suitability as an education tool is not value for money. 
- ✚ Lack of speed of laptops? – a programme of replacing/ increasing memory of both sets of laptops has started.
- ✚ Lunchtime equipment needs to be taken on to the yards please.
- ✚ Student vending machine? – not appropriate in a 'healthy school'/ too much risk of abuse by some students.
- ✚ Water dispenser for students – all classrooms have fresh water. 
- ✚ PLUS - The YPO voucher for £91.56. The money has been spent on some stress relievers plus table activities for outside. 
- ✚ Go-kart clubs are possible for all departments but are dependent on staffing, weather and the state of repair of the go-karts.

### 2. Information from Mr Jukes

Mr Jukes asked the council 2 questions:






1. What do you think about our school?
2. What do you think we can improve about school?

### **OUR RESPONSES:**

- ☺ *'I think we make good progress and get help to move on after Year 11.'*
- ☺ *'The best thing I've learnt is how to use photoshop.'*
- ☺ *'They have helped by making me less anxious about moving to FE, help meeting new staff and classmates.'*
- ☺ *'I've a good start. The staff have allowed me to get on. The best bits about school is when we have visiting people like the Masai warriors.'*
- ☺ *'School has helped me to move on to Myerscough College. I've really enjoyed Scouts too.'*
- ☺ *'It's much better than my old school.'*

### 3. AOB

Isaac	Can the day after prom be non-uniform day? Can we have red hoodies for uniform? 	Yes, this has been agreed by SLT.  No, the school council decided that this would be too expensive for families.
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Thomas	Another reminder to switch off Laptops and iPads.		<i>Council has asked that names of students who are not switching computers off are given to Thomas to bring to the next meeting.</i>
Kyle	Can all students be reminded that we have lots of students who are vision impaired and hearing impaired?		<i>School Council would like this to be discussed in groups and help improve awareness and consideration amongst students.</i>
Kady	Would like blinds on windows.		<i>Unfortunately, the cost means that these are not a priority at the moment but it maybe possible in the future.</i>
Leighton	Can the film on the windows be checked as there are patches, and can students be told not to scratch it off. Uneven grass - can it be levelled?		<i>Council agreed as the UV light that comes through the gaps can make one of our students very ill.  SLT are aware of uneven grass but not a priority this year.</i>
Dale	Can the layout of the life-skills flat be changed so that there is a quiet/ TV room in the bedroom? (see Dale's plan)		<i>SLT agreed but to be carried out after discussion within the FE department.</i>
Cameron	Can we have a leavers' football match.		<i>To be discussed with staff.</i>
Kian	Can the green house be repaired and moved?		<i>Will be repaired but not moved.</i>

#### 4. Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 11.30am in Room 10.**

**Please give your class councillor the chance to go through these minutes and record any feedback/ issues raised in preparation for the next meeting.**