

# Parent Forum 2

## Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2016



### Attendance

19 families attended covering 24 students.

### Agenda

#### Summary of changes made

- Online support for bullying concerns wellbeing using SHARP and Kooth.
- Resilience workshops for all year 7s and an adult workshop for all parents
- Parents were given a Show my Homework log in
- Information on curriculum section of website updated
- School calendar added to website
- Targeted communication is in place for workshops
- Anti Bullying Ambassador training scheduled to establish peer mentoring scheme and more interaction between year groups
- E mail communication in place for parents who have opted in
- The Link updated regularly

#### Show my homework briefing

Parents were pleased with parent log ins and felt more confident with the system

#### SHARP system and wellbeing - Emotional Health and Wellbeing

Parents liked the sharp system and the idea of Kooth. Most parents fed back that the one to one support they had in school had been excellent, and that they knew 'the right amount of support' was available.

Request for yoga. Look at adding to Summer Breeze offering.

#### Website Suggestions

- Calendar as link on RH side of parents page
- Wise Pay needs to be on the parents page and maybe on the home page
- SHARP SYSTM needs to be on the parent page
- School holiday information
- Link to show my homework on the parents page
- Newer and more regularly updated photographs on the home page
- Explanation of the VIVO log in on the parent pge eg. This is our rewards system, students have their own logins
- Could there be a help card in the parent pack for year 6, explaining where to find resources on the website
- Curriculum changed to topics

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- FAQ section – what to do if, for parents and students. For example: Students: I have lost my P kit, how can I find it? (*It sounds obvious, but some students wouldn't know what to do, especially, if they don't have parents to coach them through*) Answer could be, speak to my form tutor, ask the Pe staff, ask the maintenance staff etc. Parents question examples could be What do I do if my child has a medical appointment. We could use the parent forum to put the questions together, and call it a work in progress to be ready, say, by September.

### Governor

Address from Mr David Findon about the role of the governors. Invited expressions of interest from parents for parent governors when the time may arise.

### Parents as Volunteers

Skills register so parents could be called upon to share their expertise. This would be useful for career days in year 8 maybe, or year 11 and perhaps the bridging project, or even C & e days where we have finance experts, animal rights experts, etc.

School can then use this register to ask for volunteers for events or training etc.

Parents felt that this might be better than a PTFA or social group

### AOB/Next meeting agenda

- Celebration event
- Parent Prom for year 11
- Parent induction day – if I knew then what I know now
- Parent Handbook of FAQs and need to knows
- Skills Audit