

**Minutes of KS5 Student Council Meeting held on  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

- 1. Careers**
  - i. The new Career talks are very helpful, thank you.**
  
- 2. Clubs**
  - i. Is there the possibility of a dance club for KS5.  
*KS5 SC thought this a really good idea.***
  
  - ii. An archery club for KS3 supervised by sixth form students.  
*KS5 SC advised this is not a good idea. Archery could be dangerous and has to be supervised by trained people.***
  
- 3. Equipment**
  - i. Could students have more gym equipment on the US playground eg pull up bar, because the current gym equipment they have is unexciting.**
  
  - ii. Can students have play equipment at the US playground please, because the LS playground has play equipment and KS5 think it only fair that they have the same?  
*KS5 SC said that students using the US playground are older and don't really need the same equipment as the younger students. They would appreciate some new footballs, if that is possible.***
  
  - iii. More scooters for the US playground please?  
*KS5 SC did not think these were needed.***
  
  - iv. More seating in the US playground please?  
*KS5 SC said there is enough seating already.***
  
  - v. As some students find it difficult to read analogue clocks, could they be changed to digital please?  
*KS5 SC thought this was not necessary and suggested that those who have difficulty really try to learn tell the time using an analogue clock, as once you get the hang of it, it is easy.***
  
  - vi. Could the pool table be repaired please?  
*The pool table has been repaired quite a few times. KS5 SC said that some students do not treat it with respect.***

4. **Lockers**
- i. Could there be locker monitors please, as some students leave them open, making them look messy and they could have stuff stolen.  
*KS5 SC were reminded that all students are responsible for their own locker and possessions and monitors should not be needed.*
5. **Lunches**
- i. Could students return to having their lunches in classrooms/hall, as it was calmer.  
*KS5 SC were reminded that lunches were eaten in classrooms when all students had a packed lunch. It would not be possible to eat hot food in the classrooms.*
6. **One Way System**
- i. Students expressed concern that some of the younger students are cutting across the one way system by Mrs Halton's office,
7. **Playground**
- i. Could the pot holes by the caged area on US playground be repaired please? It is very easy to trip on the pot holes when playing football.  
*KS5 SC agreed this was a problem and a safety issue.*
- ii,  
Why don't the screens at US playground work and why can't they be used as a clock?  
*KS5 SC thought using them as clocks a really good suggestion. Decision would have to be made whether digital or analogue time. They thought if they could not be made to work then they should*
- iii. *go.*
- Is there a chance for the girls and boys to play football in the cage on a rota system please?  
*On duty staff may be able to supervise this, or the girls could always play non the field.*
8. **Temperature Checks**
- i. Could students have temperature checks on their bus at the beginning and end of the day, as previously.  
*KS5 SC told this is not necessary as they all have a Covid test*
9. *twice weekly.*

i.

### **Toilets**

**Could there be Air Fresheners in the bathrooms please?**

*KS5 SC said that this was a nice idea, but realised that some students would misuse them.*

ii.

**Could there be toilet monitors as the toilets can be messy, with no toilet rolls.**

*KS5 SC told the toilet are cleaned regularly, particularly during the past 14 months. The cleaners have been working extremely hard to ensure the academy is hygienic and safe for everyone. The problem of messy toilets is an ongoing situation caused by certain students who do not use the facilities properly. Toilet rolls are rationed because whole rolls have been thrown down the toilets. This causes blockages, which someone has to clear, not a pleasant job, is very wasteful and expensive. KS5 SC said that the money used to repair and supply the equipment for the toilets could be used on other equipment that the students need/want.*

10.

i.

### **Uniform**

**Could the students wear hoodies, without the hoods up on PE days please because it is very difficult to find jackets that do not have a hood? It is like trying to find gold in a mine. It would be down to the students to ensure that they were not challenged on their PE day.**

ii.

**Could the 6<sup>th</sup> form have a dress down Friday please?**

11.

*KS5 SC told there are quite a number of tag days when they are able to dress down.*

i.

### **Water Bottles**

**When Covid restrictions are lifted, could the academy restock the large water bottles that were in the academy around 2018 please?**

*KS5 SC advised that even after Covid restrictions are lifted the water bottles won't be reinstated as the academy used far too many and they are very expensive.*

**The next KS5 SC Meeting is on  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2021.**

