

Minutes of the Key Stage 5 Student Council Meeting held on Monday 14th June, 2021

1.	Matters arising from meeting of 10th May, 2021.
	There were none.
2.	Matters discussed at this meeting.
1.	Break Times (including lunch)
i.	Can students use the bikes at break and lunch times at US playground please? <i>KS5 SC thought this would be too dangerous and also there would be too little time, as bikes and helmets would have to be collected and returned.</i>
2.	Careers
i.	Do we need whole days for Careers Focus Days now that we have the careers assemblies? <i>KS5 SC thought the interactive events were interesting and useful.</i>
3.	Charity Days
i.	Mr Harris told KS5 SC that the academy raised money for various charities throughout the year, e.g. Children in Need and now needed to concentrate on raising money for the academy. The Christmas and Summer Fayre raffles have been cancelled, due to Covid and asked for some suggestions and ideas. SC suggested, Themed Tag Days – Disney characters, Super Hero characters and a Movie Night. Other suggestions would be welcome and should be sent to Mr Harris.
4.	Curriculum
i.	Could Young Drivers course be brought back for Year 14. <i>KS5 SC were advised that due to Covid this course was cancelled. The course is very expensive and there needs to be enough students to make it viable to run.</i>
5.	Equipment
i.	Can the football table be removed somewhere else because it is in the way when students are playing pool? <i>KS5 SC agreed with this suggestion but were reminded that it would have to remain in the room.</i>
ii.	Can US playground have a pull up bar please? <i>KS5 SC did not think this was necessary as the existing out door gym equipment is rarely used.</i>
iii.	More scooters in the US playground please. <i>KS5 SC did not think these were necessary but did think a scooter area would be a good idea,</i>
iv,	More playground equipment? <i>KS5 SC asked for suggestions please.</i>
	Library

6. i.	More Spiderwick books in the library. This will further support literacy. <i>KS5 SC said that the library needs suitable teenage reading books.</i>
ii.	Could students have more Manga books in the library? <i>KS5 SC were told that a lot of Manga books are inappropriate.</i>
iii.	Is an US library needed for books suited for 6 th form students? This could go outside Mrs Hick's room or in the KS5 drama area. <i>This was not thought a good idea.</i>
Lunches	
7. i.	The manager from Chartwells explained he is drawing up the autumn menus and asked students for their likes/dislikes and suggestions. He will meet students again when the menus have been decided. Chartwells are not allowed to use salt in meals but can use herbs and spices. The use of sugar is also restricted and all drinks must be sugar free. Suggestions made were – themed days, salmon fish fingers, more choices of pizza and jacket potato toppings, return of a salad bar, baguettes, wraps, jellies, ice cream, sugar free flavoured drinks, larger portions. Students also requested that the suggestion box be reinstated.
ii.	At lunch we should sit with our friends and wherever we want. <i>KS5 SC agreed it would be nice to be able to sit with their friends. They were reminded that the number of people per table is limited.</i>
Merits	
8. i.	The merit system is pointless for 6 th formers? <i>KS5 SC suggested bringing back the dvd system.</i>
Mobile Phones	
9. i.	Students should be allowed their mobile phones in the Prom. <i>KS5 SC were advised this cannot be permitted as some students are not allowed to have their photograph taken, also inappropriate texts could be sent and mobiles could also be lost.</i>
One Way System	
10. i.	Some staff have been seen going the wrong way around the one-way system. Can this be addressed please? <i>KS5 SC were advised that this may occur in an emergency.</i>
Premises	
11. i.	Recycling bins for plastic which will allow Bradfields to do more for the environment. <i>KS5 SC thought this a really good idea.</i>
ii.	Could the pot holes in the caged area be repaired please? <i>KS5 SC were advised this item would be on the radar of the site team and would be done as soon as</i>



	<p>they are able. This would not be until an academy holiday because of vehicle access.</p>
12. Privileges	
i.	Six formers should have more privileges. <i>KS5 SC asked for some suggestions for consideration please,</i>
13. Therapy Dog	
i.	The academy should get a Therapy Dog. <i>Please see KS3 and Secondary Complex minutes 1 12 i.</i>
14. Uniform	
i.	On hot days, can students wear school shorts? <i>KS5 SC agreed that this was a good idea. They were advised that if this was approved, students would have to wear proper tailored shorts and not PE shorts.</i>

The date of the next KS5 Student Council Meeting in September, to be advised