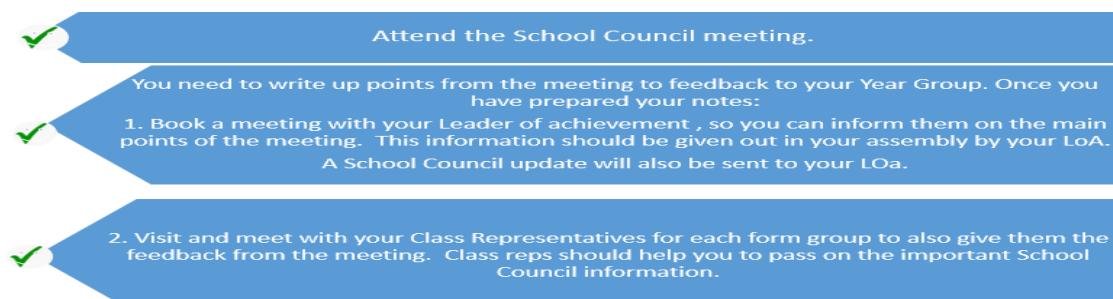


School Council meeting minutes 6th July 2023

The meeting was led by the current Head Boy and Head Girl.

The **School Council process** was noted by all School Council Members for their Year Council meeting.



1. The new Senior team introduced themselves to the SC and what their new projects are for 2023-24. Joshua-Essentially, my project is to arrange with local businesses/ organisations for them to provide the school with work experience/volunteering opportunities. So that it is easier for students to get the experiences that would assist them in their university applications. My priority to begin with would be year 12 and 13 students wishing to take medicine or related subjects, like pharmacology, as I am well aware of the importance of some kind of volunteering or work experience in the application process for medicine. There are also several locations in Cowbridge that could be beneficial for these students, like the care home, pharmacies, and GP.
2. Serian and Josh were thanked for being part of the Head Boy/Girl interviews, great feedback about their Q's to the candidates.
3. PC Davies spoke on local issues relevant to the school and Cllr Malcolm Wilson spoke about his new Placemaking project which we will be a part of in September./ Mayor's Civic Sunday, which will be held on July 16, 2023.
4. There have been hold ups on the Head boy/girl board in the hall but will be completed asap?
5. Suggestions to briefly review- Canteen suggestions will now be discussed by two representatives from SC in Mr Ling's meetings with the Manager of Clever Chefs. Email sent.
6. Lower Interact project on raising money for Turkey/Syria Earthquake Appeal £123 raised, well done. Looking at other ways of raising money in the future though, such as Tuck shop.

7. Geodgedacht Trust- Added to Global Awareness Week charities. Money will be raised to send to the charity. CCS has always supported this charity.
8. Great and positive feedback about Pride Week, an enjoyable event that was very busy. CCS helped to advertise the event and some students took part in the event.
9. SC was updated on CCS Sixth Form Blood Drive- Assemblies October/November and Blood Drive at Cowbridge Leisure Centre December.
10. Digital Dialogue Wales - Been passed to GOV/politics A Level. Meeting for the Senior team with Local Councillor- Gwyn John. We are updating our local projects. Homelessness is one we will definitely focus on next year. Mayor Wilson has great knowledge on this area and we will review Llamau to support next year.
11. ECO - Planted wildflower seeds :) July to conclude and attain Green Flag Status. Eco Code competition and litter picking events in form time 12th-14th July. Nic Adams Petition Youth Climate Ambassador Wales also circulated with SC. Posters displayed and all Form Tutors told to give info on the event.
12. Concert for Music Charity <https://www.musicforall.org.uk> raised £1200 and musical instruments were also donated to help the charity. Well done Yalay.
13. Update on the Lounge Project for year 7's and 8's- **Whether students are using this. Mrs TJ will check this. More of a winter event?**
14. Rotary Interact- Rotary Speaks debating club/Young Interviewer update. Many events take place and meetings every Tuesday. RYLA also has 3 students taking part this year.
15. Update-Year 10 into Year 11 Prefect projects now added to the Prefect Groups. Chess Club, Debating Group etc. Please see info below.
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RsUWGikGoRQWeZVDi1k_1V6CAaLaByCScy6Fb76bCI0/edit
16. Looking ahead September 2023- Projects to re/start-DFC, MND, Debating group, x2 canteen reps, Digital Dialogue Wales project embedded into projects- help with awareness days. Projects on SC calendar. Also Placemaking and Cowbridge Council meetings added to list.
17. Volunteering at Cowbridge Museum - 4 Year 12's have volunteered and met with Mr Breen.

AOB-

Other ways of raising money- Tuck shop

Galata- Girls project continued - Her Voice


Air cadets to help externally with Poppy Appeal.

Next SC Meeting October 2023

Suggestions- school- Suggestions will be sent to relevant staff.	Canteen- Suggestions to be given to Cleverchefs
Cedio?	The price and quality of school food\school food, the prices and the quality x3
To have a own clothes day and bring in a pound x3/To hold a non school uniform day to raise money for Ukraine	Cheaper school food x2
get rid of one way system x2	Please address the sixth form canteen foods' low quality, inflated prices that make it unaffordable for students and the restricted number of options for students with extra dietary needs for example vegetarians or celiacs.
Open sixth form toilets	Food quality and more options in sixth form
Allow revision sessions for year 10+	Food that is cheaper and that everyone can eat, so simpler meals
Start a chess club - We are! Academical clubs/ activities such as possibly a debate team./d&d club	More gluten free options in the canteen
the number of footballs for year 12s as we have been banned to use footballs only the year 10 and year 9s are allowed yet they rarely use these balls and there are many year 12s who want to use these footballs in my opinion this does not make sense.x2	Bring back pizza
About stuff that happens at home 🏠	Real good food/school food /Canteen food menu/better food
To wear shorts in school/Please allow boys to wear PE shorts instead of trousers in lessons. Heat reasons/To wear shorts/Allow Boys to wear shorts	

	<div>accessibility in the canteen to allergy friendly foods. For example, there is one day where all of the food contains gluten, not making it accessible for people with coeliac.</div> <div>make infinite burgers everyday</div>
1 hour lunch/longer lunch and friday fun day x2/Maybe have a bit of a longer break to eat snacks ?	Have more options for people with allergies in the canteen and also have more water fountains in the school.
Less use of plastic bottles	Change of food for lunch
Wearing jewellery	real plates and not plates that are thrown away after use. Also, the plates that we use at the moment disintegrate into our food making it taste cardboardy and gross
If we can wear shorts/to wear shorts and a PE kit./Summer school uniform for girls and boys	
no boy girl seating plans	
Wearing shorts in summer (schools sports kit), Lower food costs and better quality of food, More water refills, More revision sessions available, sports equipment to be used in break,	
I would like to be allowed to eat up in the outdoor gym and there to be one or two benches to eat at my other request is that we have longer breaks longer than 15 minutes as it takes at least 7 to get into the canteen and have food then 5 minutes to get over to "A block" and go down the stairs to the bathroom that leaves 3 minutes to get back up the stairs and socialise with like only a minute to do so it doesn't leave much time to do the thing you need to do e.g. go to the toilet, fill up your water, revise for any upcoming tests.	
What's going to happen in the primary school eg parking and the 3g pitches	
Uniform in stifling heat/wear shorts in 20+ degrees 👍	
Fill in potholes under flyover (really bad)	

Have a school dog/Wellbeing of pupils	
Less use of plastic bottles Less use of plastic bottles	



YCA Climate Refugee petition

What is the YCA?

Established in 2020, the YCA is a democratic and youth-led initiative supported by Size of Wales and the Welsh Centre for International Affairs (WCIA). It consists of 15 youth members across Wales who campaign for climate justice in Wales and across the world.

The petition will launch on July the 6th on the UK government's website!


According to the UN, unless serious climate action is taken across the World, by 2050, 200 million people will require humanitarian assistance annually due to disasters brought on by climate change.

What are Climate refugees?

The YCA defines climate refugees as: 'people who have been forcibly displaced due to impacts on their livelihood generated by climate change. These impacts could include, but are not limited to, the adverse effects of extreme weather events and weather-related disasters, sea-level rising, food and water insecurity, climate-related natural disasters, climate-induced increased resource competition, desertification, land degradation, drought, and any other climate-induced factor that makes a person's current way of life and place of living infeasible and uninhabitable respectively'

What is the petition about?

It is estimated over 20 million people are displaced per annum due to climate change, yet climate refugees are not recognised anywhere. Therefore, the YCA is launching a petition to the UK government to recognise Climate Refugees under UK Law. This would entitle the above group of people to protection under the UK Asylum Bill, alongside equal respect, privileges, and rights to those who are currently able to obtain Refugee status under the jurisdiction of the Home Office of the UK Government.



On July the 6th please visit - <https://petition.parliament.uk/> and search for climate refugee. We need your help!