

School Council minutes 14/04/21

1. Head Boy/Girl process to start- Year 12.- Campaigns, peer vote and interviews. -filming campaigns in E2D this week Cai H to help with filming. Emilia suggests a Google Form due to bias. Form completed by CTN.

2. Preparation for Mental Health Awareness week 13th-20th May. PPT/Displays/video- **Please see PPT attached for you to peruse. What school event could we do on nature during this week?**

Medics to be part of this process and suggest ideas.

P Mental Health Awareness Week 10th-16th May 2021...

Some great ideas given by the SC to use during this week. The theme is NATURE.

- **Artwork on nature by Year 7 and create a display.**
- **Walking during registration**
- **Who to contact if help is needed- Barnardos, Samaritans and Meig**
- **Cai H video/ You tube**
- **APPS to promote e.g. Headspace has meditation and how to sleep well. James also suggested an APP for healthy eating.**
- **Creating a timetable for different year groups.**

The next stage of this is to create a list of items for students to have access to during this week. -CTN to sort.

3. Review of the proactive projects for the next academic year 2021-22. Peer mentoring /anti bullying mentors to hopefully restart.

4. Year 13 Leavers Day.- Possibly outdoor football match. However, we will have to review closer to the 26th May. **No major events likely to happen due to COVID regulations but to be confirmed.**

5. Promotion of Young Peacemakers Awards, 2021 <https://www.wcia.org.uk/global-learning/individuals/young-peacemakers-award/>

6. Promotion of media fact checker?- Tom B/CaiW/Isaac.- ongoing

7. Project Vote Wales information has been sent to Years 7-11. The voting link will be sent to all students during April. Voting starts 19th April.- Still waiting for the link.

8. Many charity events have not taken place due to the pandemic situation. Therefore, could CCS organise a charity day/week to possibly counteract this? However, it needs to be reviewed due to coronavirus restrictions. - We will review this in June/July

AOB

- 1. River clean up to be organised - Sophia Hamandi/ Emilia found info on National Resources Wales website.**
- 2. Times of the day to be put on the website -refer to JLG.**
- 3. Year 13 still asking for help with student finance - refer to JLG.**
- 4. James Moran Year 10- Year 10 students needing more information on expectations and the way forward with exams and grading leading into Year 11. -Referred to JLG/RBM.**

Message from Alex Thomas VOG

Please could you share the following opportunity with your school council members, we have an opportunity for young people to get involved with the work of the Vale Youth Cabinet. Over the years we have had pupils from all secondary schools across the county be elected into Vale of Glamorgan Youth Cabinet as well as becoming Youth Mayor and Deputy Youth Mayor. Under normal circumstances we would have held recruitment presentations and events enabling young people to find out about getting involved, but due to Covid-19 we have been unable to do so.

The Vale Youth Cabinet constitution is currently being reviewed which will impact on how young people get elected onto the cabinet itself but as a youth service we want to continue to provide young people with an opportunity to work on things important to them, being a member of the Youth Cabinet enables young people to be active citizens in their local area as well as providing valuable volunteering opportunities. Young people develop a wealth of skills and knowledge throughout the process.

My colleague Kris Smart who oversees the work the Youth Cabinet does (Copied into this email) has sent out an expression of interest to any young person wishing to get involved in a Youth Cabinet task group looking at the issue of Homelessness. The task group will be looking at ways Youth Cabinet members can understand and raise awareness of the issue as well as exploring possibilities to help overcome Homelessness in the Vale of Glamorgan. This issue was most on, in the Vale of Glamorgan by young people in the Make Your Mark Campaign last November.

If you know of any one in your school council or any pupil for that matter who may like to get involved, then please do let myself or Kris know. ksmart@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk –

I'm attaching some information about Youth Cabinet as well as other participation opportunities, pupils can also visit the following website to get more information about the work undertaken by Youth Cabinet. **Closing date is 23rd April to sign up, with a meet and greet to be held on the 4th May 2021.**

Vale Youth Cabinet Web Page -

https://www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/en/living/youth_service/Youth-Cabinet.aspx

Youth Cabinet Blog Updates - <https://vogblog.wales/category/vale-youth-service/vale-youth-cabinet/>

Kindest Regards

Alex

Thanks and see you all tomorrow.

Mrs TJ :)