

School Council meeting minutes 10th October 2023

The meeting was led by the Head Boy and Head Girl. All were welcomed.

The School Council process was noted and the School Council Constitution signed.

1. HeadBoy/Girl/Senior Team- Introduced themselves and their projects
2. Update on Cowbridge Placemaking project was discussed. Next meeting will be 16th November.
3. H B/G board will be updated asap.
4. Sixth Form issues were discussed- more space needed and toilets.
5. Lower School reading week was a success and thank yous were sent.
6. Suggestions to briefly review- All suggestions dealt with by relevant people. **Year 11 SC Members to attend Clever Chefs meeting with Mr Ling.**
7. School Newspaper ongoing and meetings have gone ahead.
8. Global Group/Concert to go ahead next February.
9. CCS Sixth Form Blood Drive- Emails sent for students/staff to sign up.
10. Imogen Protheroe -Politics project Year 10/11 PSE has gone ahead. Great reviews back on the project.
11. Chess Club has started on Fridays
12. Rotary update- Lower/Upper, Rotary Youth Night 13th November, RYLA, Interact and Exchange been promoted in assemblies.
13. ECO Group in action was discussed. Starting a lower year group. Wildflower planting.
14. Lounge project ongoing for year 7 in Wk2 on a Tuesday.
15. Connection to DFC restarted.
16. An update on year 11 projects was reviewed.

- 17. Review of spare room to use for students with anxiety
- 18. Year 6 Intake evening was supported by Prefects.
- 19. Vote at 16 assemblies completed for Year 12.
- 20. Peer mentor training completed. There are now Year 12/13 PMentors who will be mentoring years 7-11. Buddy Scheme started in September and will be ongoing until March 2024
- 21. Anti Bullying training completed in readiness for Anti bullying week in November
- 22. Harvest Foodbank Collection deadline 17th October.
- 23. **NSPCC** project last week feedback by Yolay. On the news!!!
- 24. Language Club Update
- 25. A review of projects to start was completed- Poppy Appeal and Remembrance in November, Debating group, x2 canteen reps, Student Ambassadors/human rights, Cancer Charities, Disability Awareness, Asthma Awareness, Make Your mark, Rotary Boxes in January. Projects are on the SC calendar.
- 26. Volunteering at Cowbridge Museum - Volunteers from Year 13 History still attend.

AOB-..... Visit to the Senedd January/February 2024???- Mrs TJ

Next SC Meeting 21st November 2023

Suggestions- school- Suggestions will be sent to relevant staff.	Canteen- Suggestions to be given to Cleverchefs
More water coolers around the school /water fountains in every block/Put more water dispensers around school./fix the water fountain in A block my throat gets too dry without the luxury of the special water fountain	the food in the canteen isn't good for picky eaters and people often don't eat at all School food

Prom should be planned by a prom committee of volunteers and not by those already of positions within school council	change the menu in the canteen and make it less expensive or go back to the old menu!!
The phone policy not allowing use of phones outside scholars is unnecessary and overbearing and should be reduced/Phones to be allowed again/change phone policy I WANT TO PLAY GEO DASH/Less strict phone ban	Have food in the canteen for allergies
let y11s go greggs n don't do the phone rule it's so bad	Make the meal prices lower
bring back drama club soon	
Why aren't girl allowed to wear necklaces or rings or bracelets because they ain't distracting anyone from the lesson and for pe we can also take them off and put them back on afterwards and I don't believe that people are just going to say anything about my jewellery in the middle of the lesson	
Cooking class after school for people who like to cook	
girls to do rugby cricket and badminton for pe in year 8. ThankWe you for taking other people's thoughts about school.	
Girls Rugby team/change the sports in pe please/Change the PE sports/More combat sports, the school gym should have a weighing scale/Hockey for boys	
To reduce the year 11 lunch to only 2 year groups, as we were promised last year we would only be with 2 and were in the same situation last year.	

We are on break and lunch with 3 year groups. Last year we were on break with 2 other year groups and after expressing how this does not give us enough time when we are third in, we were told that in year 11 we would only be on break with one other year group and it has happened again.	
Climate change and how human actions impact and destroy the oceans.x2	
To actually do something for black history month. Every October I've been in cowbridge comp nothing has been done for it. I know our school is barely multicultural but that shouldn't be an excuse	
being allowed for pe Shorts for boys school uniform everyone to wear shorts/shorts in the summer and all the time/	
Allow food to be eaten in the outdoor gym because there is a bin there and people can throw their rubbish away in the bin.	
We are on a break for 3 years whilst this was also the case last year for us. However, before covid only 10 and 11 were on break together meaning we now have an overcrowded break and less time to eat for the second year in a row after being told this would not be the case for our year this year.	
Separate break and lunch, or only 2 year groups per lunch as if you are in last you don't get enough time to eat	
more awareness about disabilities eg.hearing or diabetes	
own clothes days	

Would it be possible to lift the ban on playing cards? It is a fun, sociable pastime and I think year 13 can be trusted not gamble.	
The toilets. They don't flush or lock properly	