

Parents Forum 15th March 2016

Chair: Mrs Baker

Attendees: Mrs Sloane, Mrs Burch, Mrs Mills, Mrs Gant, Mrs Bailey, Mrs Carter, Mrs Twaits, Mr Dunnett, Mrs Arden Mrs Woods, Miss Theobald, Mrs Parsons

Apologies: Mrs Ward

Minutes: ABR

Agenda

Item	Led by	Preparation	Outcomes & arising actions
Minutes last meeting	ABR		No issues
Show my homework/ homework	GLD		<p>Sent out info all parents for consultation: Ks3 Project based work yr 7/8 in different areas. Maths / Eng Science routine homework Frequency of Homework : Fortnightly Eng/Maths/ Science. Regular reading Ks4 Change in expectations depending on the GCSE course. Balance for yr 11? Combination of revision. Homework is a vehicle for revision. Expectation that they are revising in their own time. Guidance from particular areas depending on need. Thoughts about KS3 project based work: Scale/ notice and practicalities. There will be guidance as well on content and amount. Feedback to students: time/ share what we have done. Will send out again in the Newsletter.</p>
Reports system	ABR		<p>Reports system: yr 7 out Yr 9 out. If you don't understand, contact the tutor or if its subject specific contact the specific teacher.</p>
OFSTED update	CWS		<p>Really excited about the latest OFSTED report and the progress and hard work of the students and the staff. Clear that if we continue to move in the same direction we will be out of special measures and into Good. Well done from parents.</p>

			<p>Parents on facebook pleased that OFSTED good and that their child is coming in September.</p> <p>Projected numbers over hundred.</p> <p>Can prospective parents attend parents forum? Yes they can.</p> <p>Any agenda items to the school before the meeting.</p> <p>Lots of positive feedback from parents who came to the open eve.</p> <p>Re- structure positive.</p> <p>Any parents who want to come and have a look round during the day. welcome to do so.</p> <p>Students are much more positive about their academy and understand the boundaries.</p> <p>Lesson removal: any student who gets put in there, gets an immediate phone call home. Also will start to happen with department issues.</p> <p>Phone calls about this will happen too.</p> <p>Parents and school working together, really positive.</p> <p>Parents reporting that there are no real issues. Students are telling parents that there aren't the behaviour issues that there may have been in the past.</p> <p>Ofsted come in every term.</p>
Ipswich star/ Media	CWS		<p>Last Ipswich star media report: demonstrated that we have responded and was very positive.</p>
Predicted grades / Options	GTD		<p>Monitoring and external moderation is taking place.</p> <p>Easter holiday sessions: Email with dates and times about to come out.</p> <p>Applies to Yr 10/11</p> <p>Who supports? It will be the specific subject teachers.</p> <p>For the general after school session this varies: teachers/ Miss Hart.</p> <p>English/Maths sessions with the specific teachers.</p> <p>Who attends what session depends on need and is specific to that.</p> <p>If anyone has any specific concerns, let us know.</p> <p>Ideas for improving what we do? Let us know.</p> <p>What about support for current yr 9? Ethics only exam: prep in lessons.</p> <p>This Thursday Elevate coming in to speak to students about maximising their potential in their exams: young adults/ peers who can support/ advise. For yr 11's at the moment. Will evaluate impact and then roll out if appropriate.</p>

			<p>New Curriculum designed based on what works best for our students. Performance measure changes from Government has an impact on our changes.</p> <p>Yr 10 into 11 options: We will look at their previous choices and look at what we can offer them for that 1 subject that reflects what they need.</p> <p>Yr 8 Options: not set in stone. We want to work with the choices to reflect what the students need where possible. If subjects are in the same box and clash, add the wish list if there is a problem.</p>
Vivo	ABR		<p>In addition to the Vivo's we now have a rewards ladder that mirrors the sanctions.</p> <p>Idea: Incentive for attending extra sessions to get money off prom. We will investigate.</p>
Text parents/ parents forum attendance	ABR		Parentmail used to communicate.
Next years term dates			On website. PD days to be confirmed once CWS meets with primary heads.
Agenda items	All		<p>Staffing updates</p> <p>Options: New Curriculum :Yr 10 into 11/ yr 9 into 10</p> <p>New build for the school.</p>