

School Council meeting 26/09/2017 – 2.30pm

Present – Staff- Miss Appleton, Mrs Butler, Mrs Tolley, Mrs Freeman, Miss Taylor

Students- Meghan, Sean P, Danyal, Sean Pr, Grace, Courtney, Matthew, Adam, Zafran

Purpose of meeting

To discuss the reply letter from Mrs Hunter regarding last week's minutes

I asked students if they had noticed that there was now a school council notice board up in the common room, which they all had seen. I asked if they knew what was on there. They had noticed their photographs but didn't know what the piece of paper on there was about. I explained that the notice board would help them to keep their peers up to date on items that we had discussed during meetings and that Mrs Hunter had a few questions following the last meeting so she had written to us.

The first item to discuss was laptops. Students were pleased at the prospect of more laptops, and still very keen to have an ICT suite, so the question posed to them was 'where would an ICT suite go?' The general consensus was that the common room would be an ideal place. It was suggested that the "wall by windows" could be used, or that Mr Smith could separate the room into two to create an ICT suite.

When asked what the benefit of having an ICT suite would be, it became apparent that the majority of school council members were used to working in one at previous schools. When questioned further as to what the difference having a specific room to just using laptops in classrooms was, I was told that it was easier than keep having to move the laptop trolley around school.

Next we discussed how we are going to make sure that everyone knows they shouldn't be holding hands or kissing. Courtney stated it was "school rules". They were then asked what they would do if they saw another student holding hands. Grace stated that she would tell them to stop, as she signed stop to the group. Sean Pr suggested that a member of staff could be told about it and Meghan reminded everyone that they needed to be polite at all times.

I suggested that maybe posters would be a little reminder to people. All members were really keen to design posters, saying that they could do it during form time. A selection of these will be displayed on their council board in the common room.

When asked how all student ideas can be discussed during meetings, it was stated that students all talk as friends so that is how they will find out if anything needs discussing.

Meeting closed 2.48pm