

Student Council - Meeting Minutes

February 2024

Attendees

Student representatives from:

- Health and Social Care
- Light Motor Vehicle
- Animal Care

Updates since the last meeting:

- Green Team - meeting to discuss the options around TerraCycle in February
- Bells remain off - students happy around this decision
- Canteen: gluten-free options and halal. Most weeks on the themed side there is an option for vegan/gluten. On the other counter, the chicken bites are halal.
- Badminton club and open sports, chess club and changes to knitting and crochet as a result of enrichment feedback.

Positives of this half term:

- Positive responses to Brit Challenge - students taking part in basketball shootout challenge, bake sales and staff involved in walks. More activities encouraging good mental health are planned for after the half-term break including more sports events.
- Students getting involved in student voice surveys around EDI and enrichment - good to get examples of positive action and ideas for change.
- The behaviour remains positive and respectful, particularly in the library. Being used as a quiet space for work or reflection - daily affirmations on the board!

Discussion points for change:

- Idea to support cafe - including loyalty points for purchasing a certain amount of hot drinks, and reminding people of the ongoing offer to save 20p on your drink for using a reusable cup. Staggering sandwiches on display as sell out quickly.
- Request for more guest speakers - students really positive about what an impact this has on their learning or future career planning
- Seating/breakout spaces - mentioned around Peatfields being underused for seating