



Parents' Council Meeting
Tuesday 3rd November 2009, 6.30 pm, Hall

Present:

Staff Name

Andy Yarrow
Charlotte Harrison
Janet Perry

Role

Principal
Vice Principal
Finance Director

Parent / Carer Name

Sarah Arkas
Tom McLoughlin
Hafida Nezamabad
Patricia Barham
Gloria Gardner
Jane Warrington
Eunice Hennell
Claire Rand-Siu
Karetha Campbell
Heather Harris
Hadi Kassir
Christian Preston
Gloria Mason
Joyce Richard
Lorraine Newby

Student Name

Horatio Arkas
Alexandra McLoughlin
Sahand & Soroush Nezamabad
Adam Ammran
Amy Gardner
Kit Warrington
Adrianna Franklin
William Siu
Aaliyah Lompo
Jacob Lansman
Ayman Kassir
Caspar Preston
Daniel Mason
Talitha Bartholomew
Alliah Harris-Newby

AY welcomed everybody to the meeting.

Evaluation of first half term (AY)

What went well (WWW)

Discipline (x2)

Communication with home (x2) (e.g. phoning home regarding detentions etc.)

Encouragement of self-organisation

Vivos

Transition

Sense of Pride

Proactive approach

Increase in confidence / maturity of students

Happiness / Enthusiasm

Teaching and Teachers

Caring relationships

Even better if (EBI)

If we were in the new building

Road Safety in Hortensia Road

Independent Learning club supervision

Marking of Independent Learning – information about this needs to go to parents (discussion of real time on line reporting)

Frontier training for parents (so they have more of an understanding of online Independent Learning)

Detentions queries

Library

Coats – where they put them this year if wet
Parental Engagement (how get more involved?)
PE long sleeved tops kit shirts – dye running in the wash

Lots Road finishes (JP)

JP talked through the background to the Lots Road development and progress to date re-internal finishes.

Colour schemes for zones of the building e.g. 4 stairwells in yellow, green, pink and blue.

Feedback from students has been very positive and in support of this scheme. Those at the meeting were asked for their comments and also approved of the scheme.

Behaviour System / Vivomiles (CH)

CH ran through the accompanying powerpoint and answered related questions (mostly connected to the detentions system).

Single sex teaching and setting (AY)

AY gave a brief introduction to the Academy's thinking and asked for snapshot thoughts from parents and then a written expression of thoughts. A summary of the opinions given is shown in the table below.

	No Subjects	Some Subjects	All Subjects
Setting by Ability	3	7	2
Single Sex Classes	1	9	1

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.