

# Student Council

**Date:** 27.01.2023

**Minutes and Agenda**

**Attendees:** APa, PKe, WBa, DAd, JIF, PMa, JMs, TPr.

**Apologies:** MRe

## Today's Agenda:

School council email update.

Sports fixtures update.

Music room update.

Results from the voting for counsel chair/vice-chair and treasurer.

Gaming suite games

Update on mental health champions

School uniform - hoodies

Ideas for trips for each year.

Has everyone seen the minutes from the last meeting? That the minutes ok?

Yes, all agreed.

Would anybody like to mention anything important before we start?

Discussion around the playground marking and trim trail. Explained how this is funded solely for exercise. All agreed and accepted.

All applications for the 50k trim trail and cycle track have been submitted. Hoping to hear by April 2023.

## Topic 1:

Email address being set up. This is to be used and displayed in classroom so pupil can email ideas or concerns straight to the SC. This can be monitored by the chair/vice-chair.

Concerns around this being abused but due to being a smaller school this should be manageable. APa to continue to chase this with Oakford.

Raised that SC should help purchase the green token prizes, helping find prizes that would suit all the pupils across the school. This would need to be budgeted but maybe the treasurer could help go and purchase prizes. Rep's to ask their peers what prizes they currently like and should to see in the future. Staff reminded reps that the prizes are to be of similar price to what they have now. APa to raise this with SLT.

SC rep to support MRE in buying prizes each term. SC to ask pupils what prizes they would like.

Topic 2: Sports fixtures. Ben has contacted other schools in local area regarding this. possible fixtures with Hardenhuish, Sheldon, Abbeyfield, Kingsbury green and Downlands.

APa to maintain contact with BSh regarding updates on this.

PKe raised that the badminton club have offered 10 weeks of coaching, this would be in the evening. SC agreed this would be a good idea.

SC raised about getting a school kit for when we played matches both football and basketball. **This has already been purchased and is in the PE cupboard.**

### Topic 3:

Music room update. Message from JWi passed on. Agreed and more chilled out vibe would be good in the music room with the grand piano being moved out. SC raised instruments they would like are, another guitar, bass, some wind instruments (and a way to disinfect these), a glockenspiel and maybe some brass instruments. A decent micro phone and a way of recording the instruments that are being played. Agreed that garage band to be downloaded as well. **APa to pass this onto JWi and see what is possible.**

### Topic 4:

End of year trips. Yr 10 and 11 trip abroad still voted as a very good idea and help with securing passports etc.

End of year trips for the other years still being discussed. A night away seems agreed with suggestions of camping. SC to continue thinking about ideas for what trips they would like and to take this back to their classes.

### Topic 5:

Gaming suite games and computers. SC raised that the PC's need a clean and maybe a change of some components. **APa to look into this.**

Access to the log in's for steam/epic games as some pupils have their own accounts and when they log out of the school's one's others then cannot get in. SC asked for the log in to be placed on the wall. APa and PKe explained the dangers of this and that the password can then be changed by anyone. **APa and PKe to explore all staff having access to the steam log ins so that they can log the pupils in and out.**

Money for games. Could there be a budget set for each term so that a voucher can be purchased for each account, then games can be brought for the PC's that have been voted on (age appropriate also). Once a budget is agreed SC to run a poll/vote for the games to be purchased each month. Games suggested so far are Minecraft, Scrape Mechanic, flight simulator. **APa to explore the idea of a budget each term for games.**

### AOB:

Update on mental health champions. LDU, WBa and PWo attended training this week. More people to attend next training. JMs and JIF have expressed interest.

Anti-bullying ambassadors was raised. **APa to speak with MWa around next training for reps on this.**

SC informed that we now have 2 VR headsets that can be used for educational purposes and for games. **Waiting for these to become available.**

School uniform, still no decision on tracksuit bottoms but issued raised around uniform and purpose of uniform. Hoodies mentioned, this was agreed as an option but concerns as this would add additional cost that would be higher than a fleece. Rep's to take this back to their classes to discuss.

Leavers Hoodies - SC agreed this would be a really good idea. APa to pass this onto Yr 11 tutors.

SC raised about having more regular SC meetings. Suggested we increase from once a term to twice a term. APa to lease with SLT around time for this and if this is possible within the timetable.

Further advance notice of SC meetings. APa to send out all planned meetings and to have these stuck up on tutor boards. Update the SC board in the top common room with new roles and Reps.

Results from the school wide vote SC positions.

Chairman - JMs

Vice-Chair - JIF

Treasurer - DAd