

PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP

Date: Wednesday 21st October 2015

Time: 6.00pm

Venue: LRC

MEETING MINUTES

Present from SGHS: Mrs. Wade, Mrs. Fisher

Parents present: CW, SN, SC, FC, JE, LL, SD, DW, CV, CH, RS, AL, LW

1. Apologies:

2. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising:

3. New Build Preview

The tour of the new building had a very positive response – bright, airy and contemporary. The Opening will be a very high profile event on 3rd December (more details to follow).

4. Behaviour for Learning update

- The introduction of planners has been very much welcomed. Students are more organised and parents are better able to support as they know what students should be doing. Interestingly, another local school is going in the opposite direction from paper planners to electronic systems. However it was felt by all that a paper planner (lightweight and portable) is the best route.
- Sims is being used to log house points and they are being accrued. Rewards such as privilege tokens are being developed.
- The 'mobile phone policy' has been very successful and well received. A year 7 student didn't know how to contact mum and was anxious so we need to explain about Student Services again.
- Skirt length was discussed and this is an ongoing issue. Improvements have been made, however, more in terms of lack of availability of shorter length. The issue of 6th Form 'body-con' skirts was discussed as this is now out of line with the rest of the school.

5. AOB

- Year 12 support for UCAS – most of the information is given out post-Year 12 exams. However the school need to ensure that all students have the opportunity to attend additional events such as interview training and Oxbridge information.
- PTA – there was a discussion previously about the possibility of the group becoming a PTA? Mrs Fisher explained that Mrs Plews wants to set up a 'Friends of SGHS' as a fundraising group. More information to follow.