

Parent Voice meeting held on Monday 14th December 2020

6pm - 7pm

Summary of main items

Agenda item	Notes
1. Current situation	The term has been very long but overall students have adapted to changes incredibly well. In terms of movement around the school, students have cooperated.
a. Remote learning	<p>Some remote learning lessons are taking place where a large number of students are self-isolating. Teachers have recorded lessons for students (eg voice-over powerpoints) in some cases.</p> <p>Monitoring of how much work students are completing is important.</p>
b. Coronavirus measures	<p>The school has very accurate seating plans which are used and also the students themselves are asked who they have been in contact with, for example during social time. CCTV is used if the student is unsure.</p> <p>Students wear masks around school but not in lessons; this is following the DfE guidance.</p>
c. Study clubs	Study clubs have been set up in several year groups to support students who may have fallen behind due to missing school, not doing homework etc.
d. Updates on student progress / parents evenings	<p>All parents evenings are remote and Years 7, 9 and 12 have had parents' evenings this term. (Year 7 was a tutor evening to discuss how students had settled into secondary school.) Parents receive three tracking reports per year and one of these gives summative data based on formal assessments.</p> <p>The Year 7 and 8 exam booklets were sent out last week. They should also be on the website by the end of this week. Students will be told the lesson during which their exam will take place.</p> <p>The Year 9 options evening will take place (provisionally remotely) at the end of March; parents asked how students would be able to find out more about subjects and ask teachers questions. Especially the subjects which are only</p>

	<p>studied at KS4 - how can students find out more / if it is the course for them?</p> <p>Year 11 into 12 taster day. It is on the calendar but in the current situation is extremely difficult to organise.</p>
e. Teachers support for students who need help in lessons	<p>Students are not currently receiving as much individual support in lessons due to the fact that teachers are not able to move around classrooms so freely, but are using other strategies to check students' understanding, help students who are stuck etc.</p> <p>Although the seating plans are fixed for every lesson so students sit in the same place for 4 - 5 hours per day, could this mean that students at the back of classrooms could get away with doing less work?</p>
2. Building update	<p>GDA gave an update on the new build. It is intended that Year 13s will start to have lessons in the new building in January. The building should be ready for full use by September 2021.</p>
3. AOB	<p>Parents thanked the school staff for all the communication they receive regarding coronavirus.</p> <p>GDA and SDA thanked the attendees at the Parent Voice for their support and suggestions.</p>
Next meeting	<p>Monday 1st March 6pm - 7pm (Zoom)</p>