

St Benedict's High School Parent Council Meeting

Monday 31 October 2011

Present: Sandra Ross, Antonietta Plunkett, Robert Johnston, Anne Phelps, Michael Young, Michael Coane, Mags McCormick, Teresa Kennedy.

Apologies: Anne Devlin, Tom Cassidy, Tom Barclay, Graeme Allison, Fr. Andrew

Previous Minutes

Agreed

Matters arising

Website: Mr Wilson will progress website update.

Benefactors Club: SR reported on progress, licence will commence in 2012.

HT Report

Staffing

RJ reported authority had provided additional staffing which will be targeted at raising attainment in English/Maths.

Learning & Teaching

RJ reported that all classes especially certificate classes were on task.

S5/6 Parents Evening

RJ reported that parents will receive prior warning should there be concerns over pupil targets.

It is anticipated that parents will be asked for feedback on this system.

St Andrews Day - Strike

RJ reported that there will be no impact as this day is a school holiday in Renfrewshire.

S4 Prelims

AP reported that timetable has been issued to departments for discussion.

Homework

RJ sought parental thoughts on homework.

Following discussion, it was agreed that increased homework would be welcomed by parents especially in S3. It was agreed that the establishment of a homework club and applying more rigour to the homework diary could be the way forward. RJ will arrange consultation exercise with the wider parent group to gather interest.

CfE

AP reported on the work undertaken so far. There has been a flow chart developed which shows a variety of teaching methods to assess learning outcomes. These can be cross referenced to national standards.

AOCB

Xmas Fayre : It was agreed that Michael Young will man the benefactors table.

Building issue: It was agreed that following a parental concern re drainage that RJ will raise the matter with Amey.

Transport: SR will approach authority to obtain hands up survey stats.

Date of next meeting (s)

28/11/11