



Parent Voice Team Meeting - The Bourne Academy

Wednesday 24 April 2024 – 5.30 – 6.40pm

Actions – in yellow

Attendance

Present: Sarah Howlett, Mark Avoth, Caroline Gobell, Cristina Marques, Alison Morris, Louise Minor, Sarah Early, Lisa Philogene-Jones, Jackie Beer, Tom Peacock.

Apologies: Wendy Punal, Katherine Spicer.

Welcome: to everyone, and to JB and TP from the pastoral team.

Update on Previous Actions (February 2024)

1. **Lockers** – CG and LPJ chase Tesco funding for a grant via blue disk scheme.
2. **Traffic/local parking** – bad local parking and traffic continues despite best efforts
3. **Lunch money/debt** – MA arranged food overdrafts to be capped at £5

Pastoral Update

1. **Attendance** – TBA sits a little above average both nationally and locally for attendance levels – a good place to be, but we could do a lot better – please do everything you can to support and encourage.
2. **School Nursing Team** – pushing anonymous text services – Chat Health for young people and Parent Helpline too. CG to push via socials.
3. **Yr 6 Transition** – tours for vulnerable students starting next week
4. **ASPIRE card** – over 60 already completed and many onto their 2nd or 3rd cards – the balance of achievements/achievers is good.
5. **Yr 11 Exams** – GCSEs start 11th May
6. **Prom** – 4 July
7. **Yr 11 BBQ** – 5 June
8. **Trips** – Barcelona in June, New York in Oct, Skiing at Easter
9. **Exam pressure** – small group work being done with Yr 12 students around exam pressure – being delivered by an external company
10. **Other external pastoral interventions:** Colour Work with Yr 10 to identify and work on emotions, and Thrive/Shine small group work with Yrs 8/9.

Principal's Briefing & Discussion

- **Appeals** – x 43 (+180 on waiting list) MA will be busy on that from now on! (highest appeals in the area) A big thank you to everyone who is helping to market and support the Academy.
- **Bourne Readers** – has started and is great
- **DfE** – Consultation on longer week – KS3 letter gone out for Yr 8s in September re additional reading for 30 mins from September – focus on pleasurable reading!
- **MiSST** – 11th annual concert in London this week – 8 x students attended and performed brilliantly to Andrew Lloyd Webber, Gareth Malone etc. Programme hugely successful.
- **Road Safety/School Street** – New Air Quality Monitor attached to lamp post in Hadow Rd, measuring air quality at busy times. We will share results once we have them from the council.
- **Canford/TBA partnership** – joint INSET day in April, very successful and positive for all staff. Approx. 150 staff visited us and we're hoping for much inter-department collaboration in future. TBA supporting Canford in its careers provision.

- **SEND** – Hbe has now left TBA, however Tess McHugh has taken over all ages of SEND and John Cornish joins on 1st May as Director of SEND.

Other News

- **Comic Relief** – joyous joint zoom call from TBA to the Massai school on 15 March – children on both sides were very chatty, smiley and curious – to be repeated. Our Student Council loved it and begged for a trip to Kenya.

Financial Update

Current bank balance - £2429

Fundraising Requests

No current requests

PVT Events/Fundraising Updates:

1. **Spring Bingo** – Fri 22 March – HUGE success and massive thanks to Lisa PJ for organising everything and to all PVT members who helped. Also thanks to John M for being a brilliant caller. Everyone is booked for next March!! Total raised = over £1200. Repeat format for next year. LPJ/CG discuss dates. CG ask CLeverchefs about fish and chips.
2. **Transition Evening (Thursday 27 June)** – KS/LPJ/LM – kindly offered to volunteer. Doors open 5pm – arrive 4.45?
3. **Open Evening (Wed 25 Sept)** – KS/LPJ kindly offered to volunteer.
4. **Friday Ice Creams** – 3pm? Idea to serve ice creams on the street for a few Fridays in the summer. Can't conflict with Cleverchefs revenue. Good to catch primary school too. MA/CG raise at SLT for discussion and report back to LPJ. MA find out date of KPS summer fayre. CG/LPJ -discuss final plan and arrange it.

AOB:

1. **Meal Deal** – no water any more? CG check
2. **Updated menus?** – they seem out of date on website – CG check
3. **FSM meal money** – increasing from £2.50 – we will write with a new amount – CG/MA
4. **Pins for 1000 points** – was discussed in HoH team today – being sorted.
5. **PTC map** – too spread out to get from one appt to the next – CG discuss with SP
6. **PTC** – auto booking system – MA discuss with JPe (logistics with booking times/map)
7. **Wifi** – cuts out quite a bit – MA discuss with CT (LM recommended [Contact us - Simple Telecoms Ltd](#))

Date of next meetings

- Wednesday 12 June: 5.30-6.30pm