2026 Student Council Minutes
Date ; 23rd of October 2026.
Venue ; Room 9 (1:15 - 2:00).
Attendance ; Ms Deery and Ms Darby along with the majority of Student Council members.

Meeting Notes

Student Council members were split into groups with a representative from each year. In these groups Areas of Praise and Areas of Improvement within the school this month were discussed.

***Areas of Praise* ;**

-> 1st Years are enjoying sampling.
-> Older Years have been a great help to the 1st Years settling in.
-> 2nd Years are looking forward to their trip to Manchester and are happy for it to be just their year.
-> TYs are getting lots of new opportunities this year. They have especially enjoyed the trip to the Ploughing and Lets Go Hydro as well as all the workshops.
-> TYs are thankful for the flexibility they have been given to change their subject choices.
-> TYs are happy with their hoodies.
-> 5th Years are finding their weekly careers class very beneficial.
-> Saturday Study has been a great initiative and incentive for 6th Years.
-> 6th Years enjoyed and got a lot from Higher Options.
-> The extra girls bathroom in the GPA has been great.
-> Food Village is getting a lot more use this year as students find it convenient to tap their card.
-> Gloves are now being worn by the canteen staff.
-> There has been a big improvement in PE Equipment.
-> New Chromebooks have also been bought.
-> Students are appreciative of their access to Exam Revision.
-> Good Notice has been given for November Assessments.
-> Teachers dressing up for Halloween is a good idea that we hope will continue.

Areas of Improvement ;

MAINTENANCE

-> Girls GPA bathroom toilet paper dispensers being clogged and toilet seats being broken are contributing to queues. Lock on Boys toilet doors are loose which they hope to be fixed.
-> Clocks are either broken or not in classrooms which students would like replaced.
-> The lift is said to be still broken.
-> Students would like more water dispensers to be installed.
-> Students ask for the school's Chromebook Wifi to be looked into as it is unreliable at times.
-> First aid bag supplies are limited so more would be appreciated.
-> Students would like a new set of GAA Balls for games and training.
-> The prefabs are very cold for students and no doubt teachers making teaching and learning more difficult.
-> Lots of litter seen around the school from other students and outside groups. We understand the workload the cleaners and caretakers have as it is so maybe it's something TYs could help with.
-> Students are looking for a bin in the basement of the extension.

MANAGEMENT ;

-> TYs would like a stand in for their Musical as they are currently missing out on practice and preparation.
-> 5th Years haven't received their chromebooks yet and are wondering when they will.
-> 6th Years expressed an interest in dressing up for Halloween as well as teachers and hope for this to be brought in the coming years.
-> 6th Years have also expressed interest in a whole year group trip before the end of the school year.
-> 6th Years would like their hoodies earlier this year to get more use out of them.
-> They also pitch the idea of a yearbook for 6th Years.
-> Students voice a great interest in PE twice a week for all year groups, not just 2nd Years.
-> Some teachers aren't making use of and uploading onto Exam Revision.
-> Students express frustration at PE still not starting on time.
-> U16s and U18s soccer has been together and training in general has been clashing, we ask for better communication and negotiation amongst teachers.
-> Students would appreciate the allowance to wear their PE uniform on the days of away games.
-> The canteen has gotten very expensive and it is becoming unaffordable for students.

That concluded our second monthly meeting. We will meet again next month! Please feel free to bring forward any areas of praise you have noticed within the school or an ongoing area of improvement to the school to one of your year group representatives :)