

PCAB (Parents and Community Advisory Board) **Meeting minutes 27/09/2023**

Single point and uniform:

- Students who accidentally lose badges are issued an instant C3 and detention. Members felt that this seemed harsh and enquired if students could have a day's grace or a warning for the first occurrence. The quality of the badges was discussed as they easily bend or are rubbed by rucksacks, and they fall off – Lucy Stuart will raise this point at a senior leadership team (SLT) meeting.
- Members could be invited to watch single point to witness the positive atmosphere and exchanges between staff and students.

Late forms:

- Members raised issues with buses and students being late or having to get on 7.10am buses. Members asked if there is an early morning provision in school.
- SLT are tracking buses and phone bus companies daily regarding the issues. MMC discussed service buses and the 3-mile rule.
- SLT to look into early morning provision for those who need it.

Lesson transition:

- Staff have identified that efficiency of movement and safety is key. These are being well-established throughout the Academy.
- Dinner time continues to be refined to ensure students can eat/converse/visit the toilet within the 30 minutes.

House System relaunch:

- Discussed possible end of year House activities – Go Ape, Ninja Warriors, Alton Towers
- Due to a number of different routes to get rewards (attendance, house points, reward points in lessons) SLT to clarify to parents/students how they can qualify for each reward.
- House Points to be displayed weekly on website, Principal's newsletter and in school.
- Miss Gerrard will look into how Class Charts can display House Points as well as Behaviour points.
- There was some discussion around including post-16 in Pledges/House system.
- Parents were very complimentary about the rewards on offer to students.

Wider community links:

- In previous years, students have worked alongside organisations such as Helping Hands and ECO (Edlington Community Organisation) to support those who need it. Hampers at Christmas have gone to care homes and those in need.
- PCAB members suggested reaching out to Balby St Johns and Freely Given.
- Student Parliament will look into other charities, organisations and individuals who require support this Christmas.

