Richard Challoner School

Parent Forum

30th November 2022



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Meeting Title	Parent Forum
Date	30 th November 2022
Attendees	Present Staff -Sean Maher, Ailish Southall, Parents Giles Tipler, Karen Fox, Margaret McCormack, Orla Creegan, Matthew Steward, Collette Wong Feng Yee, Eoin O'Connell, Amanda Treacy, John Trend, Tony Lorenschitz, Christopher Hart, Amy Lubarda.

		Action
1	School Development plan for 2022/2023	
	Key priorities are	
	1. Oracy and Literacy	
	2. Diversity and Equality	
	3. Environmental Development	
	4. Catholic Education trust	
	5. Challoner Challenge	
	Ubuntu is the Theme for this year. This means 'I am because we are.'	
	Our Catholic Ethos is all about working as a community for the common good.	
	 Pastorally we will continue to develop our students, providing opportunities that they missed out on during lockdown. 	
	With oracy, the ability to communicate clearly and effectively is a priority for our children.	
	We have a big emphasis on reading at the moment which is being developed over a three-year program.	
	 We aim to be as equitable and diverse as possible. When OFSTED interviewed some sixth form girls they said gender was not a defining quality in the sixth form. We are very proud that the girls felt like this. 	
	We have been selected to be a Holocaust Beacon School.	
2	Pupil progress and outcomes	
	Our stretch target for this year's progress is 0.75. We achieved 0.73 last year.	
	Attendance and exclusion numbers are very positive in comparison with national figures.	
	Our progress for special needs children, students with low prior attainment, mid prior	
	attainment and high prior attainment is considerably above national average.	
3.	Continued connection with parents during KS4 (GCSE programme).	
	Live parents meetings are more personal. Presently we feedback through ATLs, mock grades	
	and internal assessments through cloud school. Parents appreciated the KS4 information	
	evening and found it very helpful. We welcome any other suggestions from parents.	

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4	Funding Crisis In terms of finance the unfunded pay rises will cost an extra £250000 from our budget. Electricity bills continue to be a concern.	
5	Inclusivity and diversity A new lead for this has been appointed who is working closely with the student and staff body Environmental Strategy We are doing a lot of work around this	

6	AOB and requests from parents.
	Please promote support for PTA events every opportunity you get as all the funds raised goes back in to the school.
	Thanks to the sixth form team for their incredible help over university applications. The year 13 parents said they 'loved' the speaker about student finance.
	We received £75000 from the ECB to develop cricket within the school. This will be done over the next 2 to 3 years.