

Parent Forum Meeting Minutes and Actions: 25th February 2020

Agenda Item	Discussion Points	Actions
College re-opening planning	<p>W Ainsworth shared the rationale behind the planning; up to 65 tests per hour calculated on no of students, no of bays and no of staff available and need to re-engage children with school routines.</p> <p>Very few families have not given consent for testing. We are pleased with this response and level of engagement.</p>	None – Info only
Assessment	<p>W Ainsworth shared that the OFQUAL guidance was released today. She described it as ‘completely reasonable’. There will be no examinations, it will be teacher assessment and exam boards are providing past exam questions and some new questions that can be used at a school’s discretion for assessment purposes.</p> <p>The College will standardise assessments with all other WeST schools – This will be particularly useful in validating assessments.</p>	None – Info only
Catch-Up	<p>It was shared that the funding stream that comes into school has been deployed on an agency who are delivering small group tuition, GCSE pod and delivery of Emotional Logic – A program of emotional support.</p>	None – Info only
Parents Evening	<p>There were enquiries about Yr 11 and P16 and whether the format would remain as virtual.</p>	<p>The College are allowing a 48 hour settling period to occur re.exams and will then calendar these. They will remain virtual for the time being.</p>
Andrew Hulbert	<p>Mr Hulbert introduced himself as the new behaviour lead. He discussed that revisiting behavioural expectations was key in getting children back into College successfully.</p>	None - info only
Period Poverty	<p>Mr Aird shared that plentiful period products were available in College and could be obtained on request</p>	<p>Mrs Ainsworth agreed to purchasing a small</p>

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	<p>from the Hambly centre or pastoral office.</p> <p>It was discussed that students should not have to ask for these and should be available in bathrooms</p>	<p>basket for each girls and non-binary bathroom which could hold a small stock of products. This will be done on a trial basis.</p>
PTA	<p>Mr Aird shared a presentation on how the PTA will be appointed, shaped and its roles and intentions. His desire was for it to be fully inclusive and have parents mentoring other parents and providing community support as well as completing fund raising activities.</p>	<p>The next stage is for a letter to go out to all families by the 12th March.</p>
AOB	<p>1. Would there be a pupil progress report sent for Yr 11 students and was this appropriate?</p> <p>2. Will there be any discretion for uniform on the return?</p> <p>3. What is the intent of the parent forum?</p>	<p>Mrs Ainsworth said she would consider this and it was important to avoid student anxiety around grades</p> <p>It was acknowledged that this will present real difficulties for some and the College would support as much as possible. Donations of uniform are gratefully received. Parents are being invited to apply for pupil premium when we know there is a need</p> <p>It was decided that contrary to the role of the PTA, the purpose was to be a critical friend and challenge as appropriate</p>

Next meeting scheduled for Thursday 22nd April at 5pm