

## Parent Forum Meeting 21 November 2022 – 6pm

Agenda Item	Discussion/Actions
Work Experience	Children receive information about work experience via their tutors in morning registration. Mr Davies prepares a programme of materials which informs students as to the how, what and why.
Careers Advice	The College works with careers southwest to implement our careers programme. As part of this, we have a careers worker who comes in at least weekly to meet with students. She prioritises those students with any disadvantage first eg. SEND, pupil premium but sees both students in KS3 and 4 as well as KS5. There is also dedicated admin support for this area to support with seeing students and helping them with their work experience, access to unifrog or career pilot. Career pilot and Unifrog enable students to access careers advice independently and there is also a careers fair planned for February 2023.
New school rules	<p>The College fed back the reasons for the uplifts in expectations. The College works closely with WeST colleagues and has received in school support for maths, languages and social sciences – All 3 visitors had reported poor behaviour and that it was limiting the improvements happening in curriculum, as poor behaviour was preventing access to learning. Additionally, one of the visitors was an experienced lead HMI (Her Majesty’s Inspectorate) for Ofsted and he reported back that the classroom behaviour he had observed would put the College in danger of receiving a ‘4’ judgement. The College had reacted quickly and appropriately to address the poor behaviours witnessed and the feedback that for both staff and students, the policies lacked clarity and there were many inconsistencies.</p> <p>The College has not changed the policy itself, but it has established 5 Basics which support the delivery of the policy and provide consistency through clarity of expectation, inclusive of ‘scripted’ conversations for when the Basics are not upheld. Additionally, there have been daily follow up activities in tutor time and supporting videos to consistently reinforce the key messages and embed desirable behaviours.</p> <p>The Basics and expectancy and routine of the systems also enable SEND children to fair better as we have removed inconsistencies between staff. The certainty of sanction is supporting all children.</p>
New school rules and national policy	Whilst it may seem that many other local schools are imposing strict ‘zero tolerance’ sanctions, we have not followed suit. We have instead, responded to feedback from external visitors and addressed

	this rapidly. The emphasis of our policy is still positive interactions and Class Charts still supports this.
Vaping	This continues to be of concern with large numbers of students believed to bring these into school. The school has received guidance to issue but has chosen not to, given that it endorses vaping over smoking. Clare agreed to look at the legalities and whether a petition to government would be of merit.
Duke of Edinburgh	The College should ensure that all communication with regards to this are sent to parents and carers, as well as students.

**Next Forum Meetings:**

**6 February 2023**

**13 March 2023**

**15 May 2023**

**26 June 2023**