

Parents Forum

Date: Monday 16th January 2017

Purpose: To meet the interim head Mr Colin Boxall and hear about his plans to move Montsaye to towards Outstanding

Issue raised	Solution	Done
Behaviour on buses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specific child misbehaving has been seen by Head and told about how to behave in the future • Head asks that parents let him know when children misbehave on buses so we can deal with it. 	Yes
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information from County has been placed on website explaining from County about cost of transport and why some children qualify for free passes 	Yes
Supply teacher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern raised about inconsistent use of sanction system with supply teacher. Mr Berridge is following this matter up and providing support and advice about school system 	Yes
Behaviour in academy in general	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head is clear that he is dealing very firmly with the approximately 4% of students who are disruptive. Some have been permanently excluded and others sent to alternative provision which better meets their needs. Parents of students who refuse to do as they are told or who disrupt lessons on a regular basis are being contacted and invited into school so that we can draw up a contract between school, student and parent. 	Yes
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governors discipline panels are meeting those students who are causing most concern over the next month 	Yes
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new Senior Staff Discipline Panel has been created to help some students understand that they need to follow the same school rules as every other child at Montsaye. 	Yes
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The rewards system and policy is being updated to ensure all students can be recognised for their efforts, progress and hard work. The updated Rewards Policy and menu of rewards will be on the website shortly 	Yes
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A studentvoice@montsaye.northants.sch.uk address has been set up to ensure students have a direct way to raise concerns about any aspect of school for themselves or others quickly. This information will be shared with SLT and pastoral staff as appropriate 	Yes

Mobile phones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are looking at presenting this issue to the SIB for consideration so that we can decide what to do balancing the valuable use of smart phones in some lesson with the nuisance value caused by a small number of students misusing them 	
Homework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The policy has been clarified for staff Staff have been reminded about the need to use Show My Homework and those who have been emailing homework have been asked to use the whole school system instead We are reviewing the amount of homework set We are also looking at the homework timetable to ensure that students are only asked to complete a reasonable amount of homework each day rather than too much on one day 	Yes Yes
Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are reviewing the reports system and are hoping to have a new system in place for September We will be asking for your thoughts and advice on this at a future Parents Forum 	
Confusion about the purpose of the meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some people explained that they found the meeting very helpful but they had not realised it was a Parents' Forum Meeting. We will return to holding our Parents Forum Meeting on the second Thursday of every new term i.e. 6 times each year 	Yes
Lunch time supervision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents raised concerns about the numbers of children in the dining hall at lunchtime- we will be creating a Year 7-8 Dining Hall and a Year 9-11 Dining Hall Increased SLT presence on duty during each lunchtime 	
Exercise books being sent home	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We hope you have received the letter about books being sent home. We very much appreciate your help in ensuring that your child brings their book to school Please contact us if you would like to discuss this further. 	Yes
6 th form cover work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6th form lessons are being prioritised to ensure that as few as possibly lessons are disturbed Teacher requested to send work in when ill 	Yes Yes
Several parents raised individual concerns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> These have been dealt with by the staff parents spoke to. 	Yes
Contact for parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents Drop In for parents every Wednesday after school head@montsaye.northants.sch.uk 	Yes