



## Park Lane Learning Trust

Parent Council meeting – 11/10/16

### **Discussion Point: Welcome to parents**

All parents welcomed. Parents had a look at upcoming dates and venues for future Parent Council meetings and Coffee mornings.

#### Feedback:

Suggestion that all coffee morning are open to all, or continue with specific year group focus but also invite all to join.

#### Actions:

All publicity/invites will welcome all parents and the local community.

### **Discussion Point: What are we learning this term booklets**

Feedback requested of the impact/value of the booklets being produced. Did parents find them useful? Are they helpful to helping your child learn? Would you like anything additional adding?

#### Feedback:

Parents thought the booklets were excellent and professional. The booklets are very helpful to support their child's learning.

**Actions:**

Emailed directly to parents in PDF format.

Available to parents at parents evening and open evenings.

Shared with Primary schools and therefore prospective parents.

Include helping your child revise page especially for the older students.

Include the OOSH timetable for the term.

**Discussion Point: Homework**

Parents overall felt that there had been an increase of homework.

Agreed that the students liked the project type homework.

**Feedback:**

For the project homework, parents felt that students should receive a weekly deadline to have something completed by i.e. checkpoints. This also could be done as a peer to peer exercise.

**Actions:**

Miss Halliday will raise suggestion at Senior Leadership meeting and feedback to Parent Council.

**Discussion Point: Student Email**

Parents asked if students had emails – this could possibly help with homework.

**Feedback:**

Miss Halliday aware that students were going to get school email addresses but not sure what stage this is now at.

**Actions:**

Miss Halliday to speak to the IT technician and update parents.

**Discussion Point: New Term – Uniform/Planners**

Parents were asked about the new uniform and planner use.

**Feedback:**

Students look very smart and overall enjoy wearing the blazer. Parents felt that the planner checks by form tutors was sporadic

**Actions:**

Miss Halliday to sample planners to ensure there is a consistent approach across all year groups.

**Discussion Point: Theme/Focus of future Parent Council meetings**

Parents found the curriculum focus very good and also thought a suggestion of 'keeping your child safe online' would be interesting and helpful.

**Feedback:**

Other suggested themes were a PSHCE focus – an overview of what the students learn in these lessons. There was also a suggestion about support for parents and how they can support their children about mental health issues.

**Actions:**

Miss Halliday to liaise with Mrs Hogan who is lead for PSHCE.  
Miss Halliday to liaise with Mrs Holmes and Mrs Oldroyd – student wellbeing coordinators.