

#### Student Council

# Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2019

## **Year 11**

What is it like to be a student at Headlands school, in the classroom?

- Good, teachers provide us with good methods of revision
- The super and turbo challenges boost our confidence
- MFL classrooms have good wall resources that aid learning
- Personalised feedback is given a lot
- Teaching staff are respectful & treat us very well. We are treated like adults
- Exam countdowns make students more stressed and nervous
- Teachers are well organised in lessons and P6 sessions
- Teachers spend a lot of time helping individuals
- Teachers encourage aspirations and really push us
- At Headlands School, you feel as though you can talk to any teacher
- There is always extra work available that helps challenge us

## Extra-curricular feedback

- Lots of options
- Open to everyone
- Excellent trips
- Lovely staff
- Lots of praise
- Opportunities to try new things
- We are more satisfied with P6s
- Lunchtime revision sessions really boost our knowledge
- German exchange was really eventful & a really great opportunity

## Personal development

- Heads of year are amazing, they are willing to help us with any issues
- We have lots of links and opportunities with businesses and further education to help prepare us for leaving school
- Mock interviews and work experience are valued
- Incredible PHSE sessions from Y7 to Y10
- More sex education, teach it earlier (Y7/Y8) and keep it consistent.

### Other Points

- We like the fact that we can leave site at lunch
- Please make the 2020 leaver's video good!

What could Headlands do better.....

In the classroom?

- Drop the Science "PiXL" booklets
- We would like cushions for chairs

#### Extra-curricular?

- Mr Buckby deserves lots of recognition for offering extra-curricular activity (i.e. ukulele)
- We would like more extra-curricular performing arts opportunities for Year 11
- Make P6 non-compulsory

### Personal-development?

- Continued focus on mental health. Initiate in-depth discussion to help us understand others more.
- Instead of "Prison Me, No Way!" visiting the school. We should be able to visit them in prison!
- Behaviour is generally good. Students who distract others by yelling should be removed immediately by teachers.

## **Year 10**

What is it like to be a student at Headlands school, in the classroom?

- The curriculum is wide and varied in most subjects
- It is amazing being a pupil at Headlands school and you learn valuable things such as improving your SPAG, improving your time planning and developing your multi-subject skills

### Extra-curricular feedback

- There are a lot of good sport clubs for all year groups, we appreciate the introduction of non-sports clubs. i.e. cooking, arts & debate club
- Extra-curricular activities should be more widely advertised

## Personal development

- We need to learn more about things which are important for life i.e. how to pay bills, mortgages etc. r PSHE lessons have improved from when we were in Y7. We think that PSHE lessons about mental health & work experience are useful.
- We appreciate the opportunities to visit Hull university and St John's university
- We like the rewards; reds, celebration evening, trips to the cinema etc.

### What can Headlands do better....?

#### *In the Classroom?*

- We need to improve the old and dodgy technology
- We should have no homework during assessment periods as it conflicts with our revision time

#### Extra-curricular?

Advertise the options more

## Personal development?

- Bring in more business professionals to talk about subjects
- Nail polish should be allowed
- We need to learn more about handling money & paying bills
- We should spend even more time talking about serious topics i.e. suicide, assault, abduction etc.

#### Year 9

What is it like to be a student at Headlands school, in the classroom?

- Being a student at Headlands School is really good
- We enjoy practical lessons and group work
- It would be better is we were allowed our phones out at break and dinner time
- As a student it is good because you can understand most teachers.
- We would like more mystery challenge work extensions
- Science, Music, Maths, English, Art & PE are awesome!
- We enjoy the more creative activities in lessons, such as posters, mind-maps, leaflets etc.

## Extra-curricular feedback

- We enjoy careers day
- We would like a "save the planet" club
- Assemblies are good!

#### Personal development

- We would like to a make a school paper that all students have a part in putting together
- There should be an appeal process to get negatives removed
- We would like the opportunity to learn Chinese, Japanese or Mandarin

## Year 8

What is it like to be a student at Headlands school, in the classroom?

- German is the best lesson!
- Art is interesting, fun and varied
- Maths is challenging
- Practical work in science is fun but we could always do with more!

## Extra-curricular feedback

- We are rewarded for the extra-curricular activities that we take part in
- I love "Youth Speaks" and the debate club
- We have every sports club under the sun at Headlands!
- Being a Student Leader and being part of the student council are excellent opportunities
- Overseas trips are great opportunities

# Personal development

- PSHE is helpful for our future lives
- We really enjoyed the "Prison Me, No Way!" workshop

- We learn about important subjects in PSHE but we could do more about being responsible with money
- The positive discipline system is very effective
- We get given a lot of helpful advice on GCSE options and careers