



Y7 Student Council

Wednesday 14th October 2020

Location: New Block Canteen

Attendees: AW, PB-W, MM, SB, KD, RN, EM, EY, OF, EH, BH, TJS, CS & MDO

How should the school deal with students who do not wear face coverings to protect themselves and others against CV-19 in the corridors? Suggestions included:

- ✓ Students that have a legitimate reason for not wearing a mask should have an exemption sticker in or on their planner like the AED sticker.
- ✓ Students who refuse to wear a mask should receive a comment in their planner.
- ✓ Staff should follow the behaviour policy as with any other normal incident (verbal warning, 1st comment, 2nd comment).
- ✓ Students should be continued to be educated on the importance of wearing face coverings during this pandemic, during PSHE and tutor time.
- ✓ Students should only receive a comment when they refuse to wear a face covering after being asked directly a member of staff.
- ✓ Face mask sanctions should follow the late mark system. When teachers see students not wearing a mask, they should enter it onto SIMS rather than having a conversation in the corridor about it. Four non-compliance incidents should warrant a Year Leader detention. This should be adjusted as the pandemic develops.

How much do you agree with the advice that all students should wear face masks in class to stop the spread of CV-19?

- It should be down to individual student choice whether a face covering is worn or not in class.
- Wearing a face covering in class affects teaching and learning too much.
- Teachers should insist on face coverings in class during pair or group work.
- If the teachers are wearing face coverings, then that is enough to make the environment safe.
- Students who make fun of others for wearing masks in class should be excluded.

MDO asked the Student Council if all teachers are wearing visors and/or face masks while teaching.

- ✓ Every representative said that teachers are wearing face coverings while teaching.

MDO asked the Student Council if they have access to hand sanitiser and disinfecting wipes in their classrooms.

- ✓ Every representative said they had access to sanitiser and disinfecting wipes.
 - Teachers are reminding students to wipe their workspace before they sit down but some students do not.

Are teachers giving verbal reward stamps?

- If we answer a question most teachers say, 'give yourself a stamp'.
- Every teacher could have a table at the front of the class for students' planners. Students should place their planners on the table as they enter the room, open at the correct page. Teachers could then stamp planners safely.
- There is not much point trying to replicate the old system, it just is not possible because of CV-19. We should just wait until things are back to normal.
- We could put our planners at the end of the row, so teachers are stamping four planners at a time.
- We need to have access to our planners during lesson time as they contain important information, e.g. passwords, homework info.
- Verbal stamps are not ideal, but teachers are doing the best they can in the current situation.

MDO asked the Student Council if they see 'challenge', 'super challenge' and 'turbo challenge' in every lesson.

- ✓ Every representative confirmed their learning activities are categorised this way and that they enjoyed being supported and stretched using this system.

MDO asked the Student Council if they see the Big Picture Slide in every lesson.

- ✓ Every representative confirmed they see the Big Picture slide in all their lessons.

MDO asked if there is any subject or teacher that deserves a special mention for being particularly interesting or engaging.

- All the Maths teachers.
- All teachers at Headlands are doing a great job.
- I enjoy English and Drama.
- I like French because Miss Allen tries to make it as fun as possible.
- Maths, Science, Music and Drama.
- Miss Bannister is engaging, I really like Art.
- Science because I really like Mr Dearing.

MDO asked if Y7 were generally happy with how their first half term at Headlands has gone.

- ✓ Every representative confirmed that they are happy with the support they are receiving and that they made the right decision to come to Headlands.